3d Regt Capt Knowlton Oct 9th 1775

Major Knowlton Dec 25th 1775

Col Sarmon [illegible] July 5th 1775

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29th July "
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Sept 20 " Commissions ready
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" 27 " Meeting of Officers 3d Regt
Oct 5 " Court martial
" 15 "

30 Nov
31 Dec

Col Durkee Brevet Commiss. Oct 23 1775
Oct 26 1775 new army
Nov 5th 1775 Lieut Col 3d Regt
" 21st " Brevet Colonel

Major Durkee Nov 27th 1775
Col Durkee Nov 30th 1775

Henry Knox Col of Artillery
Capt Callender July [illegible] Dec 12th 1775
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Commissions in Continental army August 5th 1775

Sept 20th 1775 Commissions dated

Continental army from Aug 5th to Sept 27th 1775. 3d Regt and R. 34th Putnam's Regt 3d.

Henry Knox
Col of artillery Dec 17th 1775 Motto of Grosvenor arms, is

"Nobilitatis virtus non stemma character"

Col David Brewer Dec 23d 1775 Resigned?
Col Jona Brewer Sept 4. 1775
Capt Callender Sentinel

July 5th 1775

Col Common July 15th 1775. Not qualified July 18th
Col John Mans filed Aug 18th 1775
qualified Sept 19th 1775

Mifflin Quarter Master Gen
Brigadier Gen Army July 22d 1775 Augt 14. 1775

Col Gerrish
Augt 19th 1775

John Tarbell Aid de Camp July 27th 1775
Col Palfrey July 16th 1775 " " Brigade Major Augt 15th 1775
aid to Lee

Israel Putnam Jun Esq. Aid
Joseph Trumbull aid to Genl Putnam July 20th 1775
quarter master July 31. 1775

Head Quarters Cambridge July the 3: 1775

Parole Lechmere — Counter Sign Sharp

Field Officer for the Day — Tomorrow Col: Ger

Field officer of the Mainguard to morrow Majr Poor

Adjutant of the Day Gibbs

General Orders by his Excellency General Washingt

Esqr: Commander in Chief of the Forces of the Unite

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or absent on Furlough & also the Quantity of Amun

each Regiment has

Head Quarters Cambridge July 4th AD 1775

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Ordinance Stores Powder & Lead Working Tools of all

Kinds Tents Camp Kettles & all other Stores under the

respective Care belonging to the Armys at Cambridg

Roxbury the Commanding Officer of each Regiment to

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Charles Lee Phillips

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ontinental Congress not having compleated the
ointments of the Officers in said Army nor had
fficient to prepare & forward their Commissions every
Officer is to continue to do Duty in the Rank & Station
e at present holds untill further Orders

Tho. Mifflin Esqr. is appointed by the General one
of his Aide Camps. Joseph Reed Esqr. in like Manner
appointed Secretary to the General & they are in future
to be considered & regarded as such.

The Continental Congress having now taken all
the Troops of the several Colonies which have been raised
which may be hereafter raised for the support and
defence of the Liberties of America into their Pay & Service
ey are now the Troops of the United Provences of North
merica & it is hoped that all Destinctions of Colonies
ll be laid aside So that one & the same Spirit may
nimate the whole & the only Contest be who shall under
go on this great & Trying occasion be the most Effential
ervice to the great & common Cause in which we are all
ngaged

It is required & expected that exact Discipline be observed
& due Subordination prevail through the whole Army as
Failure in these Essential Points must necessarily produce
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The General most earnestly requ
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Attendance on Divine Service to Implore the Blessings of Heaven upon the Means used for our Safety & Defence

7th All Officers are required & expected to pay deligent attention to keep their Men neat & clean to visit them often at their Quarters & inculcate upon them the Necessity of it as essential to their Health & Service they are pertticularly to see that they have Straw to Lye on if to be had & to make it known if they are destitute of this Article they are also to take Care that Necessaries are provided in the Camps & frequently filled up to prevent being offensive & unhealthy proper Notice will be taken of such Officers & Men as shall Distinguish themselves by a due attention to the necessary Duties

8th The Commanding Officer of each Regiment is to take pertticular Care that not more than two Men of a Company be absent on Furlough at the same time unless in very extraordinary Cases

9th Col. Guardnier is to be buried Tomorrow at 3 o Clock P.M the military Honours due to so brave & gallant an Officer who fought bled & died in the Cause of his Country & Mankind; his own Regiment (except the Company at Malden) to attend on this mournfull occasion the Places of those Companies in the Service are to be supplyed with Col. Glover's Regim.t till the Funeral is over

10th No Person whatever is to be allowed to go to Freshwater a Fishing or on any other occasion as there may be Danger of introducing the Small Pox into the Army

11th It is Strictly required & commanded that there be no Firing Cannon or small Arms fired from any of the Lines or else where but in Case of necessary Defence or Special Order given for the same

All Prisoners taken, Deserters coming in: Prisoners coming out of Boston who can give any Intelligence: any Capitulation of any Kind from the Enemy are to be immediately presented & brought up to Head Quarters at Cambridge

13th: Capt: Griffin is appointed Aide Camp to Genl Lee & to be regarded as such

14th: The Guard for the Security of the Stores at Watertown is to be increased to 30 Men immediately

15th: a Serg.t & Six Men to be set as a Guard for the Hospital & are to apply to Doct.r Rand

16th: A Complaint having been made against John White Quartermaster of Col: Nixon's Regiment for Misdemeanors in Drawing out Provisions for more Men than the Regiment consisted of & for abusive Behaviour; a Court Martial consisting of a Capt.n & four Subaltans is ordered to be held on said White at 9 o'Clock tomorrow Morning who are to make due Inquiry Determine & Report.

Head Quarters Cambridge July 5th 1775

By his Excellency Genl Washington Parole Bedford
General Orders Sign Cambridge

1st: The Adjutant of each Regiment is required to take Special Care that all general Orders are communicated as well to the private Men as to y Officers: that there may be no plea of Ignorance; they will be deemed answerable for all Consequences which may follow from a Neglect of this Order

2d: A general Court Martial is Ordered to set tomorrow at ten o'Clock tomorrow A.M for the Trial of Wm Patten charged with Leaving his Post when on Guard: David Wells & Gideon Cole & Keeping on their Posts as Centinels: John Scott for insulting the Centinel & attempting to pass the Guard at Boston & James Foster &c. The Witnesses are to attend & the Parties charged are to

this Day: that they may be prepared for their Trials

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The General most earnestly recommends & requires of all the Officers that they be exceeding deligent & strict in preventing all Invasion & Abuse of private Property in their Quarters or elsewhere he hopes & indeed flatters himself that every private Soldier will abhor & detest such Practices when he Considers that it is for the Preservation of his own Rights Liberty & Property & them of his Fellow Countrymen that he is now called into Service that it is unmanly & Sullies the Dignity of the great Cause in which we are all engaged to violate that Property he is called to protect & especially that it is most cruel & inconsistant thus to add to the Distresses of those of their Countrymen who are suffering under the Iron Hand of Oppression

4th: The General again urges a Speedy & an exact Return of the Forces Stores Provision &c as desired in the Order already Issued & for the future those Returns to be made once a Week on Saturday Morning regularly; The General is much pleased with the Expedition & Care which some Officers has already Shewn in the Obedience to this Order

5th: The Col: or Commanding Officer of each Regiment is to dirict an Officer of each Company to call over the Rolls of their Men at 6 o'Clock every Evening & to make proper Enquiry after the absent men: N: B Wm Patten & David Wells belong to Capt: Gridley's Company & Col Gridley's Regiment Gideon Cole to Capt: Chester's Company in Genl Putnam's Regiment

John Scot belongs to Capt: Mary's Company in Col: Reg:

James Foster to Capt: Butler's Company in Col: Nixon's Regim:

Officer of the Day - Tomorraw Col: Glover

Officer of the Mainguard Lieu: Col Roberson

Adjutant of the Day Hardy

Regimental Orders — That all the Officers & Soldiers belonging to y^e 4 Companies in Gen^l Putnam^s Regim^t in their Incampment are ordered to be ready every Morning at the Gun Fireing & the Officers are to see to it that their Men turn out for Exercise & exercise them until 6 O Clock at which Time the Roll is to be called over & they are not to go from this Incampment at any Time without Leave neither Officers nor Soldiers nor to Lodge out of Camp but to be ready at all Times to turn out for Duty when called for or for Exercise when required: Camp at Cambridge July 6^th 1775

by order of Obadiah Johnson Adj^t

Head Quarters July the 6^th 1775 at Cambridge

Parol Cumberland Sign Derby

General Orders

A General Court Martial is ordered to set to morrow Morning at 10 Clock in the Morning on the Tryal of John Seymour, John Bushel & Wm Crofton all of Col. Gridley^s Regim^t charged with Desertion & Theft at the same Time they are to hear & determine the Case of Edward Barly a Scholar charged with Theft Notice is to be given to the Prisoners to Day —

2: Capt. Leonard of Col Woodbridges Regiment & the Remainder of his Company are ordered to join the Guards at Watertown

3: The Clothing provided by the Massechusett^s Committee of Supply for those Men of their Government who lost Cloths in the late Action on Bunker^s Hill to be distributed to the most needy & necessitous men of each Regiment; an Account to be kept thereof by the commanding Officer of each Regiment —

That an orderly Drummer be appointed in every Regim^t whose Duty it shall be whenever he hears the Drum Beat where the Orders are given to beat the same Call in his Camp that Serg^ts may attend their Duty the same Moment & obey Orders & those that do not attend in their respect to be confined for Tryal that the Fatigue Men from each Regim^t be paraded every Morning Main Guard Parade when the Guns Fire & not to leave it until told off by

Head Quarters July 7th 1775 - General Orders by his Excelency General Washington

It is with Inexpressible Concern the Gen.l at his first Arival in y.e Army Should find an Officer Sentenced by a Gen.l Court Martial to be Cashiered for Cowardice a Crime of all others the most infamous in a Soldier & most injurious to an Army & the Last to be forgotten inasmuch as it may & often doth happen that the Cowardice of one Single Officer may prove the Ruin of the whole Army. the General therefore tho' with great Concern & more especially on the Transaction happened before he had the Command of the Troops thinks himself obliged for y.e Good of the Service to approve of the Judgment of the Court martial with respect to Capt. John Callender who is hereby Sentenced to be cashiered & dismiss'd from all further Service in the Continental Army as an Officer

The General having made all due Enquery & maturely consider'd this Matter is led to the above Determination not only from the particular Guilt of Capt. Callender but the fatal Consequences of such Conduct to the Army & to the Cause of America now most ernestly exhorts Officers of all Ranks to shew an Example of Bravery & Courage to their Men assuring them that such as do their Duty in the Day of Battle as brave & good Officers shall be honour'd with every Mark of Distinction & regard their Merit made known to the General Congress & all America; while on the other Hand he most positively declares that every Officer be his Office what it may who shall betray his Country Dishonour the Army & his Gen.l by basely keeping back & shrinking from his Duty in any Engagement shall be held as an infamous Coward & punished as such by y.e utmost martial Severity: no Connections. Interest or Intercessions on his behalf to prevail so as to prevent the Strict Execution of Justice

No Officer or Soldier plac'd in the Lines or for the Defence of them on Prospect Hill or Winter Hill or elsewhere are upon any account to

out of their Encampment or leave them at night. The Troops raised in New Hampshire are perticularly required to attend this Order from ye perticular Circumstances of this Situation —

4th: No Soldier belonging to their Post or elsewhere to be suffered to straggle at a Distance from their respective Parades on any Pretence without Leave from his Officer as an unguarded hour may prove fatal to the whole Army & the noble Cause in which we are all engaged — ~~& to every Man of Understanding &~~ The Importance of which to every Man of common Understanding must Inspire every good Officer & Soldier with the noblest Ardor and strictest Attention least he should prove the fatal Instrument of our [illegible] Ruin —

5: The Adjutant General is required to make a Return as quick as possible of the Troops in Cambridge of their Numbers & Duty they do. Complaint having been made with respect to the Bread being Sower & unwholsome the Quatermaster Genl. is hereby required to enquire into ye Matter & Report upon it & at ye same Time to inform the Bakers that if any more Complaints be made & be found just they will be most assuredly punished —

6th: The Guard on the Road leading to Bunker Hill are not to suffer any Person to pass them unless an Officer be sent down from the Lines to Order it or they will be Severely punished —

7th: The General has great Reason & is highly Displeased with the Negligence & Inattention of those Officers who have placed Men of whose Character they are not acquainted with. Therefore Orders for the future that no man shall be appointed for the future to those Important Stations who is not a Native of this Country or has a Wife or Family in it. To whom his Character is known & be attached this Order is to be Considered as a standing one & the Officers are to pay Obedience to it at their Peril —

8th A Complaint of the most extraordinary Kind having been made to the General that Soldiers having been Inlisted in one Regime

Inlisted into others by Agents for that purpose under Specious Promises of Money or Leave of Absence from the Army a proceedure Subversive of all Order & Discipline & of the very Existance of an Army can not be forgiven; the strictest Orders therefore are given against such Practices & the General hereby declares that if any Agent or Soldier shall hereafter be found so offending they shall be punished with the utmost Severity ——

2: Orders that all the Sick & wounded in the Army be provided for & taken Care of in the best Way & Manner possible & it is ordered that when any Officer or Soldier is so ill either by a Wound or otherwise that the Surgeon of the Regiment to whom they belong finds he can not be properly taken Care of in such Regiment such Surgeon shall send him to the Camp Hospital to which they belong with a Certificate of the Mans Name the Camp & Regt to which he belongs & in that Case the Chirurgeon of the Hospital shall receive said Sick & Wounded & if the Hospital be too full in that Case the Chirurgeon of the Hospital shall send such of his Patients as may be removed with Safety to the Hospital at Watertown with a Like Certificat as above & the Chirurgeon of Watertown Hospital is to receive & take Care of them ——

July 8th AD 1775 Prospect Hill

General Orders —— Parole Ephes Sign Falkland

1st That the Main Guard on no Account whatever be without a Drum which is to beat to arms on any Alarm & followed by all the Drums in the Camp at which every Officer & Soldier are to repair to their Alarm Post ——

2: The Commanding Officer of each Regiment or Corps in Cambridge as soon as the Men are paraded after an Alarm to send Officers to Head Quarters for Orders ——

3: The Commanding Officer at Roxbury, Prospect Hill, Winter Hill & Sewell's Point to send Expres in Case of an Allarm to Head Quarters with an Account of their Situation & the Movement of the Enemy if they are not each provided with a Horse for that Purpose the Adjutant Gen: to apply to the Committee of Supplies

4th Col: Gridley of the Artillery or the next in Command to give in a Return of his Men Stores & Amunition agreable to the Orders of the 4th instant & to Distinguish the Post & which the Regiment is assigned in Case of an Alarm the same direction is given as to a Return of Men Amunition &c to the Commanding Officer the Late Col: Guardnier of Col: Glover & Col: Gerrish who have omitted complying with the Orders hitherto ——

5 The Commanding Officer at Winter Hill Prospect & Roxbury are to make perticular Enquiry into the Amunition of the Men in their Lines & if there is any Deficiency to report it to the Gen.l at Head Quarters ——

6th A General Court Martial is ordered to Set on Monday next at 10 O Clock for the Trial of Lieu.t Brigham charged with rescuing a Prisoner from Lawful Custody the Prisoner to have Notice to Day ——

Head Quarters Cambridge 9th July 1775.

General Orders Parol Effingham Countersign Waterlown

The continental Congress having been pleased to appoint Horatio Gates Brigadier General & Adjutant General of the Army he is to be obeyed as such & all Orders Transmitted through him from the Commander in chief whether writen or verbal are to be punctually & immediately obeyed ——

all Soldiers more than 2 in a Company who are present or absent upon Furlough & all Officers noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers who have not joined their respective Corps: to be ordered forthwith to

Camp; the Commanding Officers of Corps to be answerable
to the General for an immediate Obedience of the Orders
the General or in his Absence the Commanding Officer at
Roxbury to send a Report every Day in Writing Sealed up
to the Commander in chief at Head Quarters in Cambridge
of all the Material Occurrances of the preceding Day mention-
ing particularly all Arivals of Ships & Vessels in the Bay what
Changes & alterations are made in Station of the Men of War
Transports Floating Batteries &c

Head Quarters July 10th: 1775 Parol Frederick
(Sign Gloucester

The General Court Martial of which Col William Prescot
was President having tryed Wm Patten of Col. Gridley's Regim.t
& found him Guilty of Threataneng & abuseing a Number of Persons
then Prisoners in the Quarter Guard the Court Sentenced the Prisoner
to ride the Wooden Horse fifteen Minutes the General approves
the Sentence Orders it to be executed at the Heads of the Regiment
David Wells Soldier in Col. Gridley's Regim.t tryed by the above
mentioned General Court Martial for Sleeping upon his Post
when Centery is acquited by the Court; no noncommissioned Officer
or Soldier but such as are guilty of Capital Offences to be confined
in the mainguard all those guilty of those Offences triable by a
regimental Court martial to be sent to the Quarter Guard at their
respective Corps to be tryed by a regimental Court Martial the
Court Martial whereof Col. Prescot is President to sit again
this Day at the usual Hour all Evidences & Persons concerned to
attend the Court whenever a General Court Martial is ordered it is
expected that the Evidences & Persons by whom the Prisoners are
confined do punctually attend to support the Accusation as they will
answer the Contrary at their Peril

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The Col.s of the Massachusetts Regiments to order one Subaltan from each Company in their respective Corps forthwith upon the Recruiting Service proper Instructions will be given by Adjutant General to the officer ordered upon that Service they will therefore call at Head Quarters as soon as possible to receive their Instructions the General recommends it to Col.s of Regiments to send active & vigilent Officers upon this Service and those who are most in Esteem with people in the Districts they are to Recruit in

Head Quarters July 11th 1775 Israel Guilford Countersign Hartford

The Court Martial of which Col. Wm Prescot was President is dissolved a general Court Martial to be assembled at Cambridge as soon as possible to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them all Evidence & persons concerned to attend the Court

The General Understanding there is a bad Custom prevailing of the non commissioned Officers & Soldiers absenting themselves from Guard under Pretence of going for Provition: it is therefore ordered that all Officers & Soldiers being their Provition to the Guard they mount and on no Pretence quit their Guard untell it is regularly dismissed Notwithstanding the Order of the Provincial Congress some Persons are so daring as to supply the Soldiers with immoderate Quantities of Rum & other Spirituous Liquors: any Seller or Tavern Keeper or Licensed Householder shall presume after the Date of this Order to sell to any non commissioned Officer or Soldier any Spiritous Liquor whatever without an Order in Writing from the Capt. of the Company to which such non commissioned Officer or Soldier belongs he or they so offending may expect to be severely punished

Lieu.t Col. Ward President of the Court Martial

Sgammon

Head Quarters Cambridge July 12th AD 1775

Parole Falmouth Countersign Worcester: The Adjutant General will deliver at orderly Time a certain Number of printed Returns to the Adjutants of each Regiment. So that no Excuse can for the future be admitted for not making regular & exact Returns when demanded as it is only filling up the Blanks with the Numbers proper to be placed in them the Commander in Chief will not for the future admit of Palliation for making a false Return & is resolved to bring any Officer of what Rank soever to a Court Martial who is found delinquent

When any Trumpeter or Flag of Truce is sent from Boston or any Post occupied by the Enemy they are to be Stopped by the first Centry the are permitted to approach who is to call for the Sergeant of the Guard who will conduct them to the Officer of his Guard & such Trumpeter or Flag of Truce is not to be allowed to stir one Step beyond that Guard. The Officer commanding the Guard will send any Letter or Message brought from the Enemy immediately to the Commander in Chief & to no other Person

A general Court Martial of the Line to set at Head Quarters in Cambridge tomorrow Morning at Nine o Clock to try Col. Seammon of the Massachusetts Forces accused of Backwardness in the Execution of his Duty in the late Action upon Bunkers Hill The adjutant of Col Seammons Regiment to warn all Evidences and Persons concerned to attend the Court Col Nixon President of the above Court Martial

Head Quarters at Cambridge July 13th 1775 Parole Georgia C. Huntingdon

As the Army will forthwith be formed into Brigades The Adjutant General will at an orderly Time this Day deliver to the Adjutants of each Regiment a number of Printed Returns one of which must be impr

filled up & Signed by the commanding Officer of each Regiment & sent as soon as possible to the Adjutant General by the Adjutant of each Regiment on the back of the returns it will be necessary to mention where & in what Manner the Regiment is at present posted. The Commanding Officer at Chelsea is as soon as Possible after the Receipt of this Order to ~~direct~~ direct all the Cattle upon Pudding Point Sherly Point & the intermediate Space between Powder Horn Hill & the Sea to be drove off & it is recommended to the Commissary General to endeavour to agree with the Owners of the said Cattle & to purchase them for the Use of the Army. Head Quarters Cambridge July 14th: AtDr 1775

Parole Halifax Countersign Sweeney. As the Health of the Army principally depends upon cleanliness it is recommended in the strongest Manner to the Commanding Officers of Corps Posts & Detachments to be Strictly Deligent in ordering the Necessaries to be filled up once a Week & new ones dug. the Streets of the Encampment & Lines to be swept daily & all ~~ass~~ all or Casions near the Camp to be immediately buried the Officers commanding in Barracks to be answerable that that they swept every Morning & all filth & Dirt removed from about the Houses. next to Cleanliness nothing is more conducive to Soldiers Health than Dressing their Provision in a decent Manner. The Officers commanding Companys should therefore duly inspect the Camp Kitchens & see the Men dress their Food in a wholsome way. The Commanding Officers in those Parts of the Lines and Redoubts where the Pikes are placed will order the Quarter Master of Corps to see the Pikes greased twice a week they are to be answerable that the Pikes are kept clean & always ready

The General observing repeated remisness & Neglect
in the Several Guards in and about the Camp ~~of the~~
~~Officer commanding~~ The Officers commanding any
Guard to turn out his Guard immediately upon the
near Approach of the Commander in Chief or any of
the General Officers & upon passing the Guard the Commander
in Chief is to be received with Rested Arms the Officers to
Salute the Drums to beat a March; The Maj.r Generals with
with rested Arms the Officers to Salute & the Drums to beat
two Ruffles the Brigadier Generals with rested Arms the
Officers to Salute the Drums to beat one Ruffle; there being
Some Things awkward as well as improper the Generals
Officers being Stopt at the out Posts of in passing by the Centries
obliged to send for the Officer of the Guard who some Times
happens as much unacquainted with the Person of the General
as the privatemen, before they can pass in or out: It is recom-
mended to both Officers & Men to make themselves acquainted with
the Persons of all the Officers in General Command & in the mean
while to prevent Mistakes the General Officers & their aidecamps
are to be distinguished in the following Manner; The Commander
in Chief by a little blue Ribbon wore across his Breast between his
Coat & his Waistcoat: the Maj.r Generals & Brigadier Generals
by a Pink Ribbon wore in like Manner; the Aidecamps by a
green Rib.r

Head Quarters Cambridge July 15th 1775 Parole Virginia
Countersign Maryland The Commanding Officers of each
Regiment to report the Names of Such Men in their respective
Corps as are most expert in the Management of Whale Boats

when any Commissioned or noncommissioned Officer is sent upon any Detachment or Duty of Honour or Fatiague or to see the Execution of any particular Work he is as soon as y Service is performed to make a Report thereof to his Commanding Officer; It being found advantageous to the Public Service to remove Sundry Horn Cattle & Sheep from the Ground upon which they were Grazing near Chelsea to prevent their falling into the Enemy Hands it is earnestly recommended to the Several Commissaries to purchase such of them as are fit for Slaughter of the Owners in order that they may suffer the least Loss possible from the unavoidable Necessity of removeing them from the rapacious Claws of our Enemy

Col: Gridley chief Engineir is desired to report what Chevaux de Frise are made & what forwardness those are now making; It is necessary those upon Hand be compleated without Delay; notwithstanding the Orders already given the General hears with Astonishment that not only Soldiers but Officers unauthorized are continually conversing with the Officers & Centinals of the Enemy any Officer or non commissioned Officer or Soldier or any Person whatsoever who is detected holding any Conversation or carrying on any Correspondence with any of the Officers or Centries of the advanced Posts of the Enemy will be immediately brought before a General Court Martial & punished with the utmost Severity; The General is alone to judge of the propriety of any Intercourse with the Enemy & no one else to presume to interfere; The Chief Engineir Col Gridley to order an Engineir & a Field Officer of the Artilery to go round the Lines & Redoubts to examine if the Guns are placed properly in the Embrasures

& if the Embrazures are properly made & properly
Sloped towards the Country the Engineer & artilery Officer
to report to the Commander in Chief as soon as they have
obeyed their orders

Head Quarters July 16th 1775 Parole Carolina
Counter Sign Springfield

The Continental Congress having earnestly recommended
that Thursday next the 20th instant be observed by the Inhabi-
-tants of all the English Colonies upon this Continent as a Day
of public Humiliation fasting & Prayer that they may with
united Hearts & Voices unfeigned Confess their Sins before
God & Supplicate the all wise & merciful Disposer of Events
to avert the Desolation & Calamities of an unnatural War;
The General Orders that Day to be religiously observed by
the Forces under his Command exactly in the Manner
directed in the Proclamation of the Continental Congress it
is therefore strictly enjoined upon all Officers & Soldiers not
upon Duty to attend upon Divine Service at their accustomed
Places of Worship as well in the Lines as the Encampments
& Quarters & it is expected that all those go to Worship take
their Arms Ammunition & Accoutriments & are prepared for
immediate Action if called upon — & tho' in the Judgments of
the Officers the Work should appear in such forwardness as
the utmost Security of the Camp requires they will command
their Men to abstain from all Labour upon that Solemn Day.
It is with much Surprize & Concern that the General in
passing along the New Hampshire Lines yesterday observed a
most wanton Mischievous & unprofitable abuse of Property
in the Distruction of many valuable Trees which were
standing along the Side of the Road out of the Way of our Men

& Guns; he therefore Orders that an effectual Stop be put to such Practice for the Time future or Severe Punishment will fall upon the transgressors of this Order.

William Palfray Esqr. is appointed Aidecamp to Majr. General Lee all Orders whether written or verbal coming from General Lee & delivered by Capt. Palfray are to be punctually obeyed. A particular Return to be delivered to the Adjutant General tomorrow at orderly Time of the Regiment of Artillery distinguishing how every Man & Officer in that Camp is at present employed & where posted.

Head Quarters at Cambridge July 17th: A D 1775

Parol Boston Countersign Salem

There is Reason to apprehend that the General Orders are not regularly published to the Noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers of the Army as pleading Ignorance of Orders will not for the future be admitted in Excuse in any Delinquency it is once more ordered that the Adjut: of the Several Corps will be exact in seeing the Orders every Evening read to the Men as their Duty to their respective Corps as they may depend upon answering before a Court-Martial for any Neglect in disobeying this Order; The General Court Martial whereof Col: John Nixon is President to sit again tomorrow Morning at 8 o Clock to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them, all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court. There being a great Neglect in sending in the Returns to the Adjutant General as directed by

the General Orders of Friday especially from the Regim[t]
posted in or near Roxbury the General assures the Commanding
Officers of Corps from whom the Returns are expected that he
will not for the future pass over the slightest Neglect in sending
Returns to Head Quarters at the Time directed by the General
Orders & if there is any Remissness in the Adjutants the Col:
will not do their Duty if they do not forthwith confine the
Transgressors

General Orders Camp before Boston 18th July 1775

Parol Wilmington Countersign Chester

As the Chevaux de Frize are not in Readiness the Officers
commanding the different Lines & Redoubts are as speedily
as possible to provide a sufficient Number of Gabions which
are to be empty at the Entrance of their respective Posts in
Order to be filled up as occasion may require General Putnam
will forthwith Order his Posts to be furnished with a large Quantity
of Fascines: The Officers commanding the different Posts to
send an exact Return to Head Quarters this afternoon of all
the extraordinary Tools in their Possession (viz) Spades pick
axes & Crow Bars & to mention the Number & Quantity of any of
those Implements that are still wanting to Carry on their respective
Work: Six Capt Twelve Subaltons Twelve Sergents & 300
Rank & File to parrade tomorrow Morning immediately after
divine Service from the Regiments now stationed in Cambridge
as a Working Party to assist in raising the New Hampshire Lines

Col James Scammons of the Massachusetts Bay Forces tryed by the
General Court-Martial of which Col: John Nixon was President for
Disobedience of Orders & Backwardness in the Execution of his Duty
the Court after examining the Evidence for & against the Prisoner
together with what the Prisoner had to say in his Defence are of the
Opinion that Col Scammons is not guilty of the Crimes charged
& amused therefore do acquit the Prisoner Col Scammons &c

immediately released from his Arrest as to what has happened if the Enemy in Revenge of their Losses should dare attempt forcing our Lines the Army may be assured that nothing but their own Indolence & Remissness can give the least Hope of Success to so rash an Enterprize it is therefore strongly recommended to the Commanding Officers of Corps Guards & Detachments that they are assiduously alert in paraiding their Men at their several Posts half an Hour before Day break & remain there untill the Commanding Officer thinks proper to dismiss them — The General hears with Astonishment the frequent Applications that are made to him as well by Officers as Soldiers for Furlough brave Men who are engaged in the noble Cause of Liberty should never think of removing from the Camp while the Enemy is in sight & anxiously take every advantage any Indiscretion on our Side may give them The General doubts not but the commanding Officers of Corps will anticipate his Wish & Discourage those under them from disgracefully desiring to go Home till the Campaign is ended Field Officer of the Day tomarrow Col Bridge Officer of the Mainguard Majr Prior adjutant of the Day Fox —

Head Quarters Cambridge July 19th 1775 Parol Derby Countersign Marblehead: Officer of the Day tomarrow Col Glover Officer of the Mainguard tomorrow Majr Brooks Adjutant of the Day Hardy —

Head Quarters Cambridge July 20th 1775 Parol Albany Countersign Ticonderoga: Captain Drum beat in or near Cambridge very improperly beat the Reveille this Morning before Day; although the Troops are ordered to be under Arms half an Hour before Day Light it does not follow that the Drums are to Beat at that Time: the Reveille is to beat when a Centry can see clear

Thousand Yards around him & not before

All Aide Camps & Majors of Brigades are to keep regularly entered in a Book all the General Orders of the Army as well as those of all the Brigades they belong to as the General in Chief will not for the future admit as an Excuse for the Breach of Orders the Plea of not knowing them

Samuel Osgood Esq.r & Joseph Ward Esq.r being Aide Camps to General Ward they are to be obeyed as such as all Orders ~~their respective Gens~~ coming from Aide Camps are to be considered as Orders of their respective Generals & whether written or verbal to be forthwith obeyed

It may be once more necessary to Repeat to the Army that every Aide Camp & Majr of Brigade will be distinguished by a green Ribbone Certain Corps having been dilatory in Delivering last Saturday their Weekly Return notwithstanding former Orders The General is determined for the future not to excuse any Neglect on sending the Returns every Saturday to the Adjutant as the Commanding Officers of Regiments are to be answerable for the due Observance of their Orders it is expected that they are exact in obliging their respective Adjutants to fulfill their Orders

Head Quarters Cambridge the 21st July 1775 Parol Malden Counter Sign Chelsea Officers to

Cambridge Head Quarters 22d July 1775

Parol Nantucket Countersign Massesippii Capt. Isaac Putnam & Lieut Webb being appointed Aide Camps to Majr General Putnam they are to be obeyed as such

Regularity & due Subordination being so essentially necessary to the Good Order & Government of an Army that without it

whole must soon become a Scene of Disorder & Confusion
The General finds it indispensibly necessary without Waiting
any longer for Dispatches from the Continental Congress
immediately to form the Army into three grand Divisions
& of dividing each of those grand Divisions into two
Brigades; he therefore Orders That the following Regim
(viz) General Ward's Genl. Thomas's Col: Fellows's Col: Patton's
Col Danielson's Col: David Brewer's compose one Brigade
& be under the Command of Brigadier General Thomas; the
General Spencer's Col: Parsons's Col: Learned's Col Walker's
Col: John Reid's Independents compose another Brigade to be
Commanded by Brigadier General Spencer that these two
Brigades compose the right wing or Division of the Army
& be under the Command of Majr. General Ward & remain at
Roxbury and its Southern Dependencies

That Col: Starks's Col: Poor's Col: Reid's of New Hampshire Col:
Nixon's Col: Mansfield's Col: Doolittle's of Massachusetts be form
into another Brigade under the Command of Brigadier General
Sullivan & Posted on Winter Hill: That Col Farnham's Col Hitchcock
Col Church's Rhode Island Col: Whitcomb's Col: Gardnier's Col: John
Brewer's of Massachusetts & Col Little's be formed into another Brigade & Comma
by Brigadier General Greene & Posted upon Prospect Hill & the
two Brigades compose the left Wing or Second Division of
the Army under the Command of Majr. General Lee

That General Heath's Col Patterson's Col: Scamman's Col Gerrish's
Col: Phinney's Col Prescott's be formed into another Brigade and
Commanded by Brigadier General Heath & be posted at Cambridge

[Brigading]

That General Putnam. Col: Glover. Col. Fry. Col Bridge. Col: Woodbridge. Col Sergent. be formed into another Brigade under the Command of the Senior officer therein & until the Pleasure of the continental Congress be known these two Brigades to be under the Command of Maj: General Putnam; as also a Corps reserved for the Defence of the several Posts north of Roxbury; this Arrangement is ordered to take Place & is to be made as speedy as possible; The Maj. Generals are to see it done accordingly; Some Inconveniences may arise to certain Individuals by this Change but as the good of the Service requires it to be made an alert & ready Compliance is expected.

All Application from hence forward by officers or Soldiers for Leave of Absence are to be made to the Maj: General Commanding each Division, who is to judge of the Propriety of the Application & grant Furloughs when they see Cause without applying to the Commander in Chief provided it be not contrary to General Orders: General Heath. Regiment is to take Post at No. 2. in Lieu of General Ward. Col. Paterson. remain in No 3 Col. Stamman. to occupy No 1: Col: Gerrish. to take Post at the Redoubt upon Sewell. Point & to furnish the Company for Chelsea Malden & Medford.

Head Quarters Cambridge July 23: A D 1775.

Parol Brunswick Sign Princetown.

As the Continental army have unfortunately no Uniform & consequently Many Inconveniencies must arise from not being able always to Distinguish the Commissioned Officers from the non commissioned & the non commissioned from the Private it is desired that some Badges of Distinction may be immediately provi

for Instance the Field Officers may have Red or Pink Colored Cockaides in their Hats the Capts Yellow or Buff & the Subaltans Green they are to furnish themselves accordingly: the Serg.ts may be distinguished an Epaulette or Strip of Red Cloth Sewed upon their right Shoulder the Corporals by one of Green

The People Imployed to make Spears are desired by the General to make 4 Doz.n of them immediately 13 Feet in Length & the Wood part a good deal more Substantial than those already made particularly in the New Hampshire Lines which are ridiculously short & so Slightly as can answer no Sort of Purpose no more therefore are to be made on the same Model: The Commanding Officers of the different Works & Posts are once more enjoined to furnish themselves with a sufficient Number of Gabeons & Fascines which are to stop up the Enterance of their respective Redoubts & Lines & to repair their Works which may be damaged either by Water or the Fire of the Enemy: It is observed that Several of Enterences of the Redoubts are still left open without any Sort of Defence: the Commanding Officers of such Redoubts are therefore ordered to cut a Deep Wide Ditch at the Enterance & throw a Bridge of Strong Plank across this is to be done without delay

Head Quarters July 24th: A D 1775

Parol Salisbury Sign Cumberland It being thought proper to distinguish the Majors from the Brigadier Generals by some particular Marks for the future, the Majors Generals will ware a broad purple Ribbon

Notwithstanding y.e General Orders making the Destinction of

Gener

General Officers Aide Camps & the Generals are frequently
Stoped by the Centinals which can only happen from the
Capt.s having neglected to read the Orders to their respective
Companys — if any General Officer Aide Camp or Majr. of Brigade
is again Stoped through the Ignorance of the Centinal, the Capt.
will be considered as responsible —

as any Attempt the Enemy from their late Disappointment
may have the Rashness or Hardiness to make will be violent &
sudden, the General expects the Officers & Soldiers will be
not only resolute but alert & defeat in a particular Manner
he enforces his Orders to every Field Officer upon no Account
(Duty excepted) to be out of Camp but upon every Occasion
to shew by their Example that Activity Steadiness & Courage so
necessary to defeat an enterprizing Enemy —

Notwithstanding the Orders of the 11th instant expressly
forbiding all Officers & Soldiers from quiting their Guard upon
they are regularly relieved & dismissed, the General is informed
such unsoldier like Practices are still committed he therefore
admonishes all Officers & non commissioned Officers not to suffer
any Person to quit their Guard upon any Pretence —

Care is to be taken the Men are Supplied with Provisions before
they mount Guard — Report being this Morning made to the
General that the Mainguard Room is kept abominable
filthy & dirty; for the future no Commanding Officer is to
Relieve another upon that Guard untill he is assured that the
Officers & Mens Appartments are clean & in decent Order. The
Surgeons of every Regimt in the Lines or Redoubts or in or near
Cambridge to deliver tomorrow at 12 O'Clock at Noon to the

adjt.

Adjutant General at Head Quarters an exact Return of y
Sick in the Regim.ts they respectively belong to. Names Rank
& Different Order of each Officer non commissioned Officer
& Soldier to be mentioned in the Return ——
The Return of the Surgeon of the Corps stationed in & near
Roxbury to be made to the Commanding General at Roxbury
Tuesday Noon in the Manner & Form directed by the above
Order & the General commanding at Roxbury will transmit them to
Head Quarters at orderly Time Wednesday ——

Head Quarters Cambridge July the 25.th 1775 ——
Parol Halifax C Sign York ——
Continual Complaints being made that Soldiers of Regim.ts
& Companies inlisting in one Company & Regim.t have often gone
& inlisted into another, in as much as the General. whole Time
would be ingrossed to hear the Disputes upon this Subject for the
future any Officers who have any Disputes in Regard to the
Men returned are to apply to the Brigadier commanding the
Brigade who will Order a Court Martial of the Brigades to
hear & determine the Matters ——

Head Quarters Cambridge July 26.th 1775 ——
Parol Amsterdam C: Sign Ambay —— General Orders
It is recommended to the Commanding Officer of Corps that
all Coverings made of Boards be built in the Form of Barracks
& in the most advantageous Manner at the same Time so contrived as
to be warm & comfortable in cold Weather ——
All Passes to be discontinued for the future & no Persons to be admitted
into the Lines for the future unless introduced by an Officer who can
vouch for him or by Order of the Officer commanding the Lines.

It being represented that the present Hospital is not large enough to contain the sick Lieu.t Governor Oliver's House is to be cleared for that purpose; care is to be taken that no Injury is done to it

Notwithstanding the Strict & repeated Orders that has been given against Firing small Arms it is Hourly practised: all Officers commanding Guard Posts & Detachments to be alert in apprehending all future Transgressors

Brigade Orders all the Brigades under y.e Command of Maj.r General Putnam to parade & man their respective Lines at Day break: then 150 out of Gen.l Putnam's Regim.t 150 out of Gen.l Heath's Regim.t 150 of Col. Phinney's Regim.t & 100 out of Col. Scammon's Regim.t which are this Evening to be drafted out & parade for Fatigue on y.e Lines at No. 2 precisely at 8 o. Clock tomorrow Morning

Head Quarters Cambridge July 27.th 1775 The Painter Parol Bedford Countersign Guilford John Trumbull Esq.r being appointed Aide Camp to his Excellency the Commander in Chief he is to be obeyed as such; a Court of Enquiry is to set tomorrow Morning at 8 of the Clock in the Tutor's Chamber to examine into a Complaint exhibited upon Oath in the publick News Papers against Mr. Benj.a Whiting now a Prisoner in y.e Gaol Gallidge all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court

For the future when any Deserter come to any of the out Guards they are without y.e least Delay to be sent by a Corporal Guard to y.e next Guard in the Lines who is immediately to escort them in the same Manner to the Maj.r General commanding that Division of the Army, who as soon he has examined them will forthwith send them under a proper Escort from his Guard to the Head Quarters; some of the Deserters being made drunk & so

came Last Night from the Enemy before they reach'd Head Quarters it will be consider'd as a Breach of Order, in any Person who Gives Rhum to Deserters before they are examined by the General; A Subaltn Guard to be mounted to morrow Morning at 8 of the Clock at a certain Distance from the Small Pox Hospital. The Officers to come this Evening at 6 of the Clock to y Adjutant General for Orders

Brigade Orders all Officers are strictly requested to see that their Men abstain from touching & meddling with private property of what Nature or kind soever

That there be a Return made of every Regimt in General Putnams Division to General Putnam next Saturday Morning without fail

Head Quarters Cambridge July 28th 1775

Parol Cumberland Countersign Brooklyn

General Orders the Surgeons of Learned Heath Bridges Thimy & Parsons Regimts having neglected to deliver in the Returns of the Sick of their Respective Regimts to the Adjutant General the Returns are to be delivered forthwith & the Surgeons of those Corps are to be more exact in Obedience of Orders

Regimental Orders that there be two Men draughted out of each Company for Camp Fullemen who shall be under the Direction & Command of the Quarter Master (except out of Capt Putnams Company who will furnish only one

That the Men off Duty parade & Exercise under the Care of the Adjutant every Day at 9 o Clock in y Morning & at 4 in the afternoon; That the Fatigue Men go upon their Labour at 4 o Clock in y Morning & Labour till 6, then they attend upon Prayers & then breakfast & go upon the Works at 8 o Clock & Labour till 12. then beginning at two o Clock they Work till 6 in y afternoon & then attend upon Prayers & will be

Head Quarters Cambridge July 29th: 1775

Parole Dartmouth Countersign Carlisle General Orders a Sergent & 6 men to Parade at Head Quarters at 11 o'Clock to Escort certain Prisoners & Deserters to Worcester this Party to be victualled this Day. & to morrow the Sergent will receive his Orders from the Adjutant General. Mr Benjamin Whiting tried by a Court of Enquiry ordered in the General Orders of the 27th: instant whereof Lieut: Col. James Brickett was President the Court having maturely considered the Evidence for & against as well as what the Prisoner had to offer in his Defence are of Opinion that the Prisoner is not Guilty of y Crime laid to his Charge therefore acquit the Prisoner: the Gen: therefore orders the Prisoner to be releast

Head Quarters Cambridge July 30th: 1775 Parol Essex Countersign Dublin: William Tudor Esqr: being appointed Judge advocate for the Continental Army he is in all things relative to his Office to be acknowledged & obeyed as such the Drummers & Fifers of the Regimts in & about Cambridge are to be ordered constantly to attend the Drum & Fife Major at the usual Hours for Instruction

Brigade Orders by the Honorable Majr: General Putnam Esqr: That there be a Subaltan: Guard consisting of 2 Sergents 2 Corporals & 30 privates taken from the Regiments belonging to General Putnam General Heath & Col Phinny which shall Parade & march for Leachmoor Point every Evening at sun set where they shall place Ten Centries & remain till Day Light General Heath furnish a Subaltan for the Guard this Night, Col Phinney tomorrow Night & General Putnam next Day Night & so on in Rotation each Regiment to furnish a Proportion of non commissioned Officers & Privates in case of any Lifeguary the Officer of the Guard to send an Express to Head Quarters or to General Putnam: the General again requests Col. Peterson Col: Phinney & Col. Sergant to make this Return as soon as possible as this

Head Quarters Cambridge July 31st AD 1775

Parol Faubkland Countersign Edenton General Orders

The Continental Congress having been pleased to appoint Joseph Trumbull Esqr to be Commissary General for the Army of the united Colonies; all Commissaries heretofore appointed by any of the Distinct Colonys Congresses or by particular Authority of any distinct Colony are forthwith to make an exact Return of the Provisions ~~they have in~~ and the different Species of Provisions they have in or near the Camp at Cambridge or Roxbury; Thereupon the Commissary General Trumbull being assured by the Report of his Clark Assistant or his own Examination that such Returns are just & true is to give his Receipt for the Quantity delivered into his Hands which Rec: will be a good Voucher in passing the Accounts of the different Colonys Commissaries heretofore appointed & will be allowed as such; The Commissaries at present appointed by the several Colonies are forthwith to make up their Accounts unto the 31st of August inclusive ready to be laid before the Commander in Chief & by him transmitted to the Continental Congress: or be adjusted & finally settled as the Continental Congress shall think proper to direct

A Return Signed by the Commanding Officer of Regim.ts & Corps to be delivered to the Adjutant General tomorrow Morning at Orderly Time of the Names Ranks & Dates of the Officers Commissions of their respective Regiments & Corps mentioning also the Vacancies & how occasioned

a General Court Martial to set immediately & try Capt. Gardner of the Farnham Regt for Cowardice & for abandoning his Post & deserting his Men & Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court &c

One Man of a Company to be appointed a Camp Colliers from every Company in every Regement in the Army; whose particular Business it must be to attend the Quarter master & Quarter Master Serg.ts to Sweep the Streets & their respective Encampments & fill up the old Necessary Holes or House & dig new ones to bury all such Filth or Nastiness that may poison & infect the Health of the Troops & the Quarter Masters are to be answerable to their commanding Officers for a strict Observance of this Order & by perseverering in a constant & unremitting Exertion therein remove that odious Reputation which with but too much Reason has Stigmatized the Character of the American Troops the Colonels & Commanding Officers of Regiments are to be answerable to the General for all due Obedience to this Order

The General finding it not unusual for the Officers taking the Liberty of absenting themselves from Camp without Leave & going Home; For the future any Officer found guilty of so glaring an Offence against all Order & Discipline & setting so bad an Example to the noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers under his command such Officer or Officers so offending may depend on being punished with the utmost Severity

least the late Success against the Enemy should occasion any Relaxation in the Alertness of the Troops; The General recommends it in the Strongest Manner to all Officers & Soldiers in the Continental Army: to be more vigilant in their Duty and watchful of the Enemy as they certainly will take every advantage of any Supineness on our Part

Head Quarters August 1st A Day 75 Parol Gebaralter C: Sigs Fairfield

General Order: The General Thanks Maj.r Tupper & the Officers & Soldiers under his Command for his Gallant Behaviour in possessing themselves of the Enemies Posts at the Light House & for the Number of Prisoners they took then; & Doubts not but the Continental Army will be as famous for their Mercy as for their Valour

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 2d: A D 1775 ——

Parol: Halifax Sign Genera General Orders Capt. Oliver Parker of Col: Prescot's Regim.t tryed by a General Court martial whereof Col: Glover was President: for defrauding his Men of their advance Pay; & false Returns imposing upon the Commissary & drawing more Rations than he had Men in his Company & for Selling the Provision he by that Means obtained; is by the Court found guilty of the whole Charge against him; & sentenced to be Cashiered & mulcted of all his Pay. & rendered incapable of future Service ——

Deserting Post

Capt. Christopher Gardnier of Col: Farnham's Regim.t in the 1st Rhode Island Brigade tryed by a General Court Martial whereof Col: Tho.s Church was President for deserting his Post is found guilty of the Crime & unanimously Sentenced to be Cashiered as incapable of serving his Country in any military Capacity; The General approves both the above Sentences & orders the commanding Officer of the Regiments to see the Prisoner dismiss from the Army ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 3d A D 1775 ——

Parol Ireland C: Sign Hartford: General Orders

When any Plunder from the Enemy not excepted by the continental Articles of War, shall be taken, such Plunder must be all surrender to the Commanding Officer & as soon as convenient after his Arrival at Head Quarters public Notice must be made that an Auction will be held in the Front of the Encampment for the Sale thereof the next Day at Noon & the Money arising therefrom to be equally divided between the Officers & Men that took it this Order is not to be considered to extend to committing unlawful & Irregular Plunderings as any Officer or Soldier who shall be found guilty thereof will be punished with the greatest Severity

all the Armorers belonging to any of the Regiments in the three Brigades posted in the Lines or in Cambridge & those imployed in the Artillery to be at Head Quarters by 8 O'Clock tomorrow Morning & none will be intitled to any Pay hereafter who do not attend at that Time.

Brigade Orders for the two Brigades under the Command of Majr. General Putnam that there be a Field Officer 4 Capts. 8 Subalterns a Proportion of Sergents & 200 Rank & File inlisted or draughted out of the Several Regiments in Majr. General Putnams Division who are well Skilled in y Managemt. of Whale Boats whose Names are to be returned by the Officers commanding the Regiments to General Putnam or to his Adjutant tomorrow Morning by eight of the Clock; The whole to parade at the Redoubt between No. 1 & No. 2 tomorrow at 10 O'Clock in the forenoon whose Business it will be to take Care of the Floating Batteries now building & the Whale Boats & do no other Duty the whole to encamp at No. 1.

That a Subaltn. 1 Serjt. 1 Corpl. & 30 Men parade out of Col. Glovers Regiment tomorrow Morning at 8 O'Clock at Cambridge & march Oakham

Head Quarters Cambridge 4th. August 1775

Parole London Sign Ireland. General Orders. It is with Indignation & Shame that the General observes notwithstanding the repeated Orders which have been given to prevent the Firing of Guns in & about the Camp that it is daily & hourly practiced contrary to all Orders; That Straggling Soldiers do practice to pass the Guards & fire at a Distance, when there is not the least probability of Hurting their Enemies & by which no other End is answered than to waste their Ammunition & keep their own Companies in frequent & continual Alarms to the Hurt & Detriment of every good Soldier which is here by Disturbing his natural Rest & at Length will never be able to distinguish

distinguish between a real & false Alarm ——
for these Reasons the General in the most peremptory Manner forbids any Person or Persons whatever under any Pretence to pass the out Guards unless authorised by the Commanding Officer of that part of the Lines certified in Writing which must be shewn to the Officer of the Guards as they pass; any Person offending in this particular will be considered in no other light than as a common Enemy; and the Guards will have Order to Fire upon them as such; the commanding Officer of every Regiment is to direct that every Man in his Regiment be made acquainted with these Orders to the End that no Man may plead Ignorance & that all may be apprised of the Consequences of their Disobedience; The Col.s of Regiments & Commanders of Corps are ordered to see to it that the Rolls of every Company be called twice a Day & every Man's Ammunition examined at Evening Roll call; & such as are found to be deficient are to be confined ——
The Guards are to apprehend all Persons firing Guns near their Posts whether Citizens People or Soldiers ——

Head Quarters August the 5th: 1775 ——

Paul Westmorefler } Sign Richmond; General Orders ——
for the Establishment of Order & to prevent Disputes between Officers as well as for signing a Request & proper Distribution of the Commissions of the Continental Army Part of which are already arrived from the Congress & the rest hourly expected it is ordered that a Meeting of the Field Officers of each Brigade be held tomorrow Morning at 10 O Clock at or near as may be to the Center of the Encampment who are to chuse by Ballot one out of their Body to represent them in forming a Court for the adjustment & final Settlement of first the Rank of the Regiments of the Continental Army & numbering of each Regiment accordingly

Continental army

as all Differences & Distinctions are to be now laid aside
the Regiments of the Several Provences that Form the
continential Army are to be considered no longer in a Seperate
& distinct point of View, but as part of the Whole Army of the
united Provences; 2.dly The Rank of the Field Officers of all the
Regiments forming the continental Army; 3.dly The Rank of
the Capts Subalterns & Staff Officers and as doubt may arise
which can not be determined by the 6 Field Officers so chosen
by Ballot one Brigadier General who will preside as Moderator
of the Court for finally Setting the Rank of all the Capts & all
the Commanding Officers that compose the Army of the
united Colonies this Court being duly Constituted & appointed are
to Set on Monday Morning next at Dea.r Jones's in Cambridge
The Church to be cleaned out forthwith as the Rev.d Mr. Baley
is to perform divine Service therein tomorrow Morning 10 O'Clock

Head Quarters August 6.th 1775

Parol Manchester Sign Lancaster Officers of the Day

Head Quarters Cambridge August 7.th 1775

General Orders Parol Newcastle Sign Malden

Capt. Hilton of Col. Patterson's Regiment tried by a General
Court Martial for Neglect of Duty is found Guilty of a Breach
of the 49.th Article of the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts
Army, therefore he is Sentenced to receive a Severe Reprimand
from the Chief Commanding Officer at the Head of the Regiment
Application having been made for Sutlers to Supply the
different Regiments with Necessaries; The Commander in Chief
has no Objection to each Col: appointing one for his Regiment
provided the publick is not to be taxed with the Expence of one so
Provided; & provided each Col: became answerable for the Conduct of
the Sutler so appointed. & take Care that he conforms strictly to all
Orders for the Regulation of the Army & that he does not in any

instance attempt to impose upon the Soldiers in the Price of his Goods; no Officer directly or indirectly is to become a Sutler; It is in an especial Manner recommended to Commanding Officers of each Regim.t to see that a Store of Shoes & Stockings & Shirts are laid in for the Men as those are at all Times necessary the General also recommends it as necessary to the Colonels to provide Indian Boots or Legons for the Men instead of Stockings as they are not only warmer but ware longer; & by geting them of a Colour contributes to uniformity of Dress; especially as the General has Hopes of prevailing with the Congress to give each Man a Hunting Shirt For the future no Return is to be delivered to the Adjutant General that is not Signed by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment or Company Specified by the Return; and it is expected the Commanding Officer do not receive any from the Adjutant unless he at the same Time present the said Commanding Officer with a particular Return Signed by the respective Capt.s of the Regim.t he commands

Head Quarters Cambridge August 8.th A.D 1775 General Order

Parol Portsmouth Countersign Northumberland

As the Number of the absent sick by the last Returns are astonishing Great; It is ordered that the Names of each Man absent under that Pretence be given in by the Commanding Officer of each Regiment & signed by him Setting forth the Town which each belongs to: that the Committee thereof may be applied to to inspect into the Nature of their Complaints & make Report of those who are fit for Duty; It hath been intimated to the General that some Officers under Pretence of giving Furlows to Soldiers recovering from Sickness; send them to work on their Farms for their own Profit at the same Time the Publick is

Saved with their Pay, if not with their Provision: these Insinuations being but obliquely made: The General is unwilling to believe that any Officer is so lost to all Sense of Honour as to defraud the Public in so Scandelous a Manner: & therefore does not at present pay any further Regard to the Intimation than to declare that he will shew no favour to any officer who shall be found guilty of such bad Practices but will do his utmost Endeavour to bring them to Exemplary Punishment & the Disgrace due to such male Conduct—

The following is the Ration of Provisions allowed by the Continental Congress unto each Man a Soldier (viz) 1 lb of fresh Beef or 3/4 lb of Salt Pork or 1 lb Salt Fish pr Day 3 Pints of Peas or Beans pr Week or Vegitables equivalent at 5/ pr Bushel for Peas or Beans 1 pint of Milk pr Man pr Day when to be had; 1/2 Pint of Rice pr Man pr Week or 1 pint of Indian Meal; & 2 Qt. of Spruce Beer pr Man pr Day or 9 Gall.rs of Mollasses pr Comp.y of 100 Men & 8 lb of Candles pr Company for Guard pr Week; 1 Ration of Salt & D.o of Fish & 2 D.o of Bread to be delivered Monday Morning; Wednesday Morning the same & Fryday the same & one D.o of Fish—

all weekly Allowances to be delivered ~~Wednesday~~ as above but when the Number of the Regim.ts are too many to serve the whole the same Day: the Numbers to be divided equally & one Part served Monday & the other Tuesday & so through the Week—

Head Quarters Cambridge the 9th August 1775

Parol Rochester Countersign Plymouth

General Orders, The Commanding Officer of each Regiment & Corps is to send a Return at Orderly Time tomorrow to the Adjutant General of the Number of Tents or Boards which are wanting to cover the Men that they may be provided as soon as possible; They are also to give in the Names of such of their Men who have not received Blankets or who left them in the Engagement on Bunker's Hill; as there are several Vacancies in the different Regiments if there are any particular Gentlemen who Signalized themselves in the Action on Bunker's Hill by their gallant Behaviour & good Conduct & for which sufficient Proof is adduced to the General he will in filling up the Commissions use his utmost Endeavour to have them appointed (if not already commissioned to some Office or promoted if they are; as it will give him infinite Pleasure at all Times to Reward Merit wherever it is found — Col. Learned's Regiment is to join General Thomas's Brigade & Col Huntington's is to join General Spencer's Brigades Jesse Saunders of Col. Sergeants Regiment tried by the late Court Martial for frequently drawing more Provision than he had Men to consume it & for forcing the Centery & taking away a Pig the Property of William Turner & threatening the Life of Samuel Conant Cocking & presenting his Gun at him when in the Execution of his Duty! The Court hath adjudged that the Prisoner is guilty of the whole Charge exhibited against him & unanimously adjudge that he be forthwith Cashiered; The General approves the Sentence & orders Col. Sergeant to see it put in Execution —

Tomorrow

Tomorrow Morning the Rules & Articles lately made by the Continental Congress for the Government of the twelve united Colonies will be delivered to be distributed thro the Several Corps of the Army: they are to be Signed by the Several Officers of each Regiment beginning with the Col: & ending with the Soldiers in the Blanks left for that Purpose; and after they are so subscribed they are to be Attested by the Capt. of each Company: if there are any Officer or Soldier who refuses to Sign their Names the Company & the Regiment to which they respectively belong are to be reported to the Commander in Chief without delay; Mr. John Godard is appointed by the Commander in Chief Wagon Master General to the Army of the twelve united Colonies & is to be obeyed as such

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 16th 1775

Parl Schoolkiln Countersign Richmond

General Orders; It is matter of great Concern of the General to find at a Time when the united Efforts of America are exerting in the Defence of the common Rights & Liberties of Mankind that there should be in an Army constituted for so noble a Purpose such repeated Instances of Officers who are lost to every Sense of Honour & Virtue; & are seeking by dirty & base Means the Promotion of their dishonest Gains to the eternal Disgrace of themselves & Dishonour to their Country: Practices of this Sort will never be overlooked whenever an Action is lodged against the Author he is sure to meet exemplary Punishment. It is therefore much to be wished that the Example of Jesse Saunders late Capt. in Col: Sergeants Regiment may prove the only Shameful Instance of such a Groveling Disposition & that for the future every Officer for his Honor & for the Sake of an injured Publick will make a Point of detesting every iniquitous Practice of this Kind

using their utmost Endeavours in their Several Capacities to lessen the Expence of the War as much as Possible that the General Cause in which we are struggling may receive no Injury by Enormity of Expence; The several Paymasters are to ascertain what Pay was due to the different Regiments & Corps on the First Day of this instant that each Man may receive his respective Dues as soon as the Money arrives to pay them: it is earnestly recommended that great exactness be used by the Setting that no Man goes without his Pay; next that not one Farthing be drawn for but what is justly due; after this the Pay may be drawn once a Month or otherwise as shall be found most convenient; in the meanwhile the Soldiers may be under no Apprehensions of not geting every Farthing that is their due: It is therefore expected that they do their Duty with that Chearfulness & alacrity becoming Men who are contending for their Liberties Property & every thing dealuable to Freemen & their Posterity ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August 11th 1775 ——

Parol Tunbridge Countersign Squantum General Orders Complaints having been made by the Inhabitants East of Watertown that their Gardens are robbed their Fields laid waste & their Fences distroyed; any Person who shall for the future be detected in such a flagitious Practice will be punished without Mercy; The Commander in Chief has been pleased to appoint Stephen Moreland Esqr: to be Muster Master General of the Army of the united Colonies; he is in all Things touching his Duty as Muster Master General to be considered & obeyed as such

Head Quarters Cambridge August 12th: A D 1775
Parol Ulster Countersign Torrington

Head Quarters Cambridge August 13th 1775
Parol Williamsburgh Countersign Torrington; A General Court Martial to set tomorrow Morning to try Col. John Mansfield of the Massachusetts Forces accused by three of his Officers of high Crimes & Misdemeanors; one Brigadier General & 12 Field Officers to compose the Court

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 14th 1775
Parol York Countersign Yarmouth

Majr. Thos. Mifflin is appointed Quarter Master General to the Army of the united Colonies Colonies he is to be obeyed as such & the Troops are all to be Mustered as soon as possible the Muster Master General Stephen Moreland Esqr. will deliver to the Commanding Officer of each Regiment 30 Blank Muster Rolls upon Friday next & directions for each Capt. how he is to fill up the Blanks

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 15th A D 1775
Parol Arlington Countersign Bedford: General Orders David Henly Esqr. is appointed Brigade Majr. to General Heath's Brigade; John Trumbull Esqr. is appointed Brigade Majr. to General Spencer's Brigade; Richard Cary Esqr. is appointed Brigade Majr. to the Brigade commanded by the eldest Col. Daniel Bant & James Campbell Esqrs. are appointed to be continued to do the Duty to the Brigades they respectively belong to; Edmund Randolph & George Baily Esqrs. are appointed Aide Camps to the Commander in Chief all & every of the above named Gentlemen to

be obeyed in their respective Capacities ——

The Quarter Master General is without Delay to examine the Encampments & Cantonings of the different Regiments & Corps to see that those which are not destined to remain in Houses are provided as soon as possible with Tents or Boards sufficient for their Accommodation; at the same Time he is to take Care to prevent any unnecessary Waste of the Latter, & to put a Stop to the Officers building such Large Houses as some of them are doing unless they are intended for the Accommodation of a Number sufficient to fill them; or are built at their own Expence but no Large Houses to be placed near any of the Redoubts or Lines In addition to the Order of the 4th: instant; the Col: or Commanding officer of each Regim.t or Corps is to cause an exact Account to be taken by his Capt.s of the Number of Cartridges each man is possest of & at evening Roll calling to have them examined as directed in the said Order; when if any are Wanting & cannot be accounted for the delinquent over & above the Punishment due to his Offence, is to be charged with the Deficiency & so much of his Pay to be Stopd accordingly ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 16th: A D 1775 —

Parol Cumberland Countersign Dunstable — Capt. Eleazer Lindsey of Col: Gerrish's Regiment tried by a General Court Martial for absenting himself from his Post which was attacked & abandoned by the Enemy: the Court on Consideration are of Opinion that Capt. Lindsey be discharged from the Service as a person improper to sustain a Commission; John Parke Esqr: is appointed an assistant to the Quarter Master General he is to be obeyed as such ——

Details for Genl Putnam's Compy 1 Serjt 2 for Fatigue & 10 privates for Cambridge Point ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August 17th 1775

Parol Exeter Countersign Falkland — General Orders

Tho. Chase Esqr. is to continue to do Duty as Brigade Majr. to Brigadier General Thomas. Brigade Mr. Ezekiel Cheever is appointed Commissary of Artillery Stores. The Quater Master General & the Commissary General & Commissary of Artilery are to make an exact Return of all the Stores Provisions & Necessaries of every kind within their Several Departments & they are to neglect no Time in Collecting y Several Articles which may be in the Hands of y Committee or other Persons into their immediate Care & they are to be answerable for the Disposal of them; The Commanding Officer of the Artilery is to see that all the Ordinance Stores & Effects are collected & put under the Care of the Commissary of the Artilery; & the Commissary of Artilery is to see that all the Powder Lead & Flints are placed in the Magazines appointed to receive them; The Muster Master General Stephen Moreland Esqr. is to proceed as expeditious as possible in Mustering the Troops & when he has delivered his Blank Rolls to the Several Regiments & Capts he is to fix a Day for Mustering each Brigade with the Adjutant General who will give direction accordingly The Army being regularly Brigaded & a Majr of Brigade appointed & fixed to each Brigade; they are keep an exact Roaster of the Officers noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers of their respective Brigades; the Adjutant General will assist them with the best form of a Roaster & earnestly recommends the Use thereof in all Details of Honour beginning with the Eldest Officer of each Rank & Details of Fatigue with the youngest; each Majr of Brigade will forth-with fix upon a proper Spot as near as can be to the Center of y

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Brigade; where all Parties with or without Arms are to be regularly paraded & marched off in the Presence of the Maj: of Brigade; And the General Expects that the Majors of Brigades are not only alert but exact in the performance of their Duty: The Court martial ordered for the Trial of Col: Mansfield to set tomorrow Morning at 8 O'Clock at the College Chappel for the Trial of Col: Gerish all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August 18th: 1775 ——

Parol Gloucester Countersign Hartford; Whiping for Stealing

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 19th: 1775 ——

Parol Guernsey Countersign Kendall; Col: Samuel Gerish of the Massechusetts Forces tried by a General Court martial of which Brigadier General Greene was President the Court unanimously judge him guilty of the Charge exhibited against him that he behaved unworthy of an Officer & that he is guilty of a Breach of the 49th Article of the Rules & Regulations of the Massechusetts Army: & therefore Sentence the said Col: Gerish to be cashiered & rendered incapable of any Imployment in the American Army; The General Approves the Sentence of the Court martial and orders it to take Place immediately ——

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 20th: 1775 ——

Parol Lebanon Countersign Mansfield - General Orders In Obedience to the Orders of the 5th: instant The Brigadier General & Field Officers chosen by Ballot have made a Report to his Excellency the Commander in Chief; of the final Settlement of

of the Rank of all the Regiments & Officers in the Army of the united Colonies; The General intirely approves of the Proceedings of the Brigadier & Field Officers & thanks them in this public Manner for the great Care & Pains they have taken in establishing a Point of so much Importance to the Army; His Excellency strictly commands all Officers & Soldiers to pay all due Obedience to y^e Regulation so Established: The adjutant General will deliver to each Maj.^r of Brigade this Day at Orderly Time a Copy of the Rank of the Regiments; of the Field Officers & of the Officers of every Regiment in their respective Brigades; a Court of Enquiry to set this Day at three o'Clock in the afternoon to examine into the Reasons of a Complaint exhibited against Col: Ebenezer Bridge: Brigadier General Heath president Col. Prescot Col. Sargeant Col. Woodbridge Lieu.^t Col Johannot Members

Head Quarters Cambridge August 22.^d 1775

Parol Portsmouth Countersign Quincy; as the Muster Rolls cannot be properly prepared before Saturday next The General defers mustering the Brigade on the left of the Lines untill next Monday then the Mustering the whole will properly take place: The General doth not mean to discourage the Practice of Bathing while the Weather is warm enough to continue it; but he expressly forbids any Person doing it at or near the Bridge in Cambridge where it has been observed & complained of, that many Men lost to all Sense of Decency & Modesty are running about naked on the Bridge; while Passengers & even Ladies of the first Rank in the Neighbourhood are passing over it as if they meant to Glory in their Shame

* Bathing

The Guards & Centeries are to put a Stop to this Practice for the future; The Director General of the Hospital having complained that the Sick under his Care are not only incommoded by a promiscuous Resort of Soldiers to their Rooms; but greatly injured by not having proper Things carried to them to eat; at the same Time the many Disorders in which the Sick are suffering may be by them contracted & Spread in the Camp by Means of this Intercourse it is therefore ordered that this improper Visitation be put a Stop to for the future & no noncommissioned Officer or Soldier is to be admitted into the Hospital Hereafter without the Leave of the Surgeon then in attendance or by written Licence from the Col: or Commanding Officer of the Regim.ts they belong to; in either which Case the Friends to the Sick & all those who have any Business with them will never be denied the Privilege & Satisfaction of visiting them;

Representations being made to the Commander in chief that Officers are frequently seen in Cambridge & Watertown & in the Town & Villages round the Camp without any Orders or Liberty freely obtained & contrary to all good Discipline & Orders; & as such Irregularity at this Time may be productive of the worst of Consequences; the General directs the Commanding Officers of Corps to be particularly attentive to the Behaviour of all their Officers & without Favour & affection confine any Officer who is absent from the Camp or Lines where he is posted or encamped without Leave in Writing ~~from him~~ first had & obtained from the General commanding the Brigade and the Commanding Officers of Regim.ts are strictly injoined

to post any Officer who shall disobey this Order
When Officers set good Examples it may be expected
that Men will with Zeal & alacrity follow them; but it
will be a Phenomenon in Nature to find a well disciplined
Soldiery when Officers are relaxt & tardy in their Duty
whether can they with any kind of Countenance or propriety
set in Judgment upon a Soldier for Disobeying Orders
which they themselves are every Day a breaking: The General
is sorry exceeding sorry to find occasion to give such
repeated Orders on this Head; but as the Safety of the
Army & Salvation of the Country essentialy depends on a
strictness of Discipline & close attention to Duty; he will
give no Countenance nor shew any favour to delinquents
Head Quarters Cambridge August the 23: AD 1775
Parol Romney Countersign Somerset
Head Quarters Cambridge August 24th: AD 1775
Parol Tunbridge Countersign Ulster;
Lieut. William Ryan of Col Nixon's Regiment tried by a
General Court Martial of which Col. Bridge was President
is found guilty of a Breach of the 6th & 49th Articles of the
Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army & is unanimous-
ly adjudged to be Cashiered the General approves the
Sentence & orders it to take place immediately
The Quarter Master General is to see the different Brigades or at
least each Division of the Army are provided with Armourers Bellows
to keep the Arms therein in sufficient Repair; & that they have proper
Places to work in & that they are properly tended to prevent Imposi-
tion of any kind: he is also to employ Brick Makers under the
Command

Commands of Col Mansfield Regim.t & Set them to make Bricks immediately; the necessary attendance is to be apply'd for by Capt. Francis to the Adjutant General

The Quarter Master General is also to receive from the General Court of the Massachusetts Government or from such Persons as they shall appoint to deliver them all the Shirts Shoes & Stockings Breeches & Waistcoats which have been provided by the Comm.tee of Safety for the Use of the Army & settle for the same & not deliver any from his Store without an Order from the Commander in Chief an exact Return of the Company of the artificers under the Care of Mr Ayers to be given in & how imployed

The General would be glad to have the Rules & Regulations of War as established by the continental Congress returned to him signed; as he will thereupon procure & distribute the Continental Commissions agreable to the Ranks lately settled

The late Paymaster of the Massachusetts Troops is once more called upon in a peremtory Manner to settle his Accounts with the Different Regim.ts that it may be known what Money is due to the Men upon the first of this Month (August)

The General is very sorry that any deficiency or Delay should have happened in a Matter so simple in its Nature; he now assures the Regiments of the Massachusetts as they seem to be the only Complainants & Sufferers that if they do not get paid by their own Colony Paymasters before the first Day of Septem.r that he will Order James Warren Esq.r Continental Pay-Master General to pay such of the Massachusetts Regim.ts for the Month of August & that he will moreover use Endeavours to have them paid up to the first of August Settled for & adjusted as soon as possible: 20 Men from Col. Mansfield Regiment & 10 from Col Gardner & 2 from each of the other Regiments to be further imployed in making Bricks none but Men acquainted with

that Service to be sent upon it.

Col: Prescot with 2 Companies of his Regiment to man
it Sewells Point this Day; the Col: will apply to the Quarter
Master General for the Tents that will be wanted for this
Detachment.

Head Quarters Cambridge the 25th of August 1775

Parol Wilmington Countersign Yorkshire if the Officers who
are sent upon the Recruiting Service are not all returned to Camp
they are forthwith to be cashiered & no more. Men are to be inlisted
till further Order; The Company Lately under the Command
of Col: Lindsey are to join Col: Woodbridge's Regim.t as that
Regim.t at Present has only 9 Companies.

As the Commander in chief has before approved all Sentences
of the General Court Martial which has been laid before him
& thought himself happy in agreeing with them in Opinion
so he will not now Disapprove the Judgment of Ensign Joshua
Trafton as the Court have intimated that they were influenced
by some favourable Circumstances; Disobedience of Orders is
among the first the most atrocious of all military Crimes; he desires
that the Conduct of Ens.n Joshua Trafton however he may have
been provoked may never be drawn into a President as there are
certain Modes by which Inferior Officers may obtain redress
of Greviances without proceeding to any unjustifiable Act of
Violence; Ensign Joshua Trafton of the 30th Regim.t of Foot
in the Service of the united Colonies commanded by Col: Isaac Sermmore
tryed by a General Court martial for offering to strike his Col: & for
disobedience of Orders is found guilty of the Breach of the 6th Article
of the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army & Sentenced to
be confined to his Tent for three Days.

A Return Signed by the Commanding Officers of each Regiment of the
Commissioned Officers vacant distinguishing their Names Rank & Why & that
Men vacant this must be delivered to the adjutant General tomorrow at one

Head Quarters Cambridge the 26th August AD 1775

Parol Amboy Countersign Brooklyn General Sullivan's Brigade to be mustered on Monday Morning next in the Manner & Form directed in the Order of the 21st instant

Head Quarters Cambridge August the 27th AD 1775

Parol Colchester Countersign Dover

Head Quarters Cambridge August 28 AD 1775

Parol Essex Countersign Falmouth as the extraordinary Duty ~~necessary~~ some Days past prevents the Mustering ~~the~~ General Sullivan's Brigade this Morning: the General appoints Friday Morning next for that purpose & orders that Brigade to be releas'd from all but necessary Camp Duty from their particular Encampment Thursday Morning; that they have that Day to prepare for their Mustering; That Nothing destroys the Health of Soldiers or is more productive of the Bloody Flux than drinking new Cyder; The General in the most peremptory Manner commands the Disuse of the same & orders the Quarter Master General this Day to publish this Order to aquaint the Inhabitants that such as are detected in bringing in New Cyder after Thursday the last Day of this Month may depend upon having their Cask Stove

Head Quarters Cambridge August 29th AD 1775

Parol George Countersign Howard. General Orders for the future ~~the~~ The Several Guards mounted upon the General Hospitals are to be reduced into one Guard consisting of one Subaltan 3 Serg.ts 3 Corporals 1 Fife & 30 Privates: The Officer after seeing the Centeries posted is to receive Order from Doct.r Church Director General of the Hospital of the Army of the united Colonies

Colonies; the Quarter Master General & the Commissary General are to see that Strict Regard be paid to the 6th Article of the General Orders of the 7th of July last: as Complaints are continually making of the Badness of the Bread Served to the Regiments

Head Quarters Cambridge Augt 30th 1775.

Parol Ireland Countersign Kingston

1 Field Officer 6 Capts 12 Subalterns 12 Sergts 12 Corporals 2 Drums 2 Fifes & 300 Soldiers from Genl Heath's Brigade & those from Cambridge The Brigades to parade as soon as the Weather is fair & March to Roxbury Hill 1 Surgeon 1 Mate in each Brigade to be provided with proper Instruments & Dressings with the above Detachments; by the Order of the 17th Instant Thomas Chase Esqr was to the prejudice of Samuel Brewer; thro a Mistake appointed to do Duty to Brigadier Thomas's Brigade as Majr of Brigade: his Excellency Orders that Mistake to be rectified & directs Samuel Brewer to Continue to act as Majr of Brigade to Brigadier Thomas's Regiment he is to be obeyed as such

Head Quarters August the 31st 1775.

Parol London Countersign Monmouth

The Col: or Officer Commanding each Regimt of the Massachusetts Forces are without Delay to make an exact abstract for the Month of August of the Pay due to the Commissioned Officers & Soldiers who were effective in that Month; & who now continue to be effective in the Service; this Abstract must be Signed by the Col: or the Officer commanding each Regimt of the Massachusetts Forces; and forthwith delivered by him to the Commander in Chief to the End that each Regiment may be paid one Months Pay

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 1.st A.D 1775

Parol New Haven Countersign Almond

Complaints Having been Made to the General that the Body of a Soldier of Col.o Woodbridges Regim.t hath been taken from his Grave by a Person unknown: The General and Friends to the Deceased are desirous of all the Information that can be given of the Perpetrator of this abominable Crime that he or they may be made an Example; to deter others from committing such wicked & shameful Offences — The Magazine Guard in the Rear of General Sullivan Brigade to be relieved tomorrow Morning —

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 2.d A.D 1775

Parol Portugal Countersign Quebec

Capt.n Edward Craft of Col.o Gridley's Regim.t of Artillery tried Yesterday by a General Court Martial is acquitted of that Part of the Charge against him which relates to defraying his Men; & the Court are also of Opinion that no Part of the Charge against the Prisoner is proved except that of using abusive Language to Maj.r Gridley, which being a breach of the 49.th Artic.le of the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army the Court therefore Sentence the Prisoner to receive a severe Reprimand from the Lieu.t Col.o of Artilery in the Presence of all the Officers of the Regiment that he at the same Time ask Pardon of Maj.r Gridley for said abusive Language —

Lieu.t Russel of Capt.n Senior's Comp.y of the 21.st Regim.t of Foot tried by the above Court martial for Disobeying of Orders is honorably acquited by the Court: The General Confirms the proceedings & Sentence of the above Court —

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 3.d 1775 —
Parol. Roxbury Countersign Schenectada —
Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 4.th 1775
Parol Torrington Countersign Albany —
Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 5.th 1775 —
Parol. Georgia Countersign york —

a General Court Martial of which Col. Experience Storer was President is dissolved Capt. Moses Hart of the 28.th Regt. of Foot tried by the above mentioned Court Martial is found Guilty of Drawing more Provisions than he was intitled to & for unjustly confining & abusing his Men is unanimously Cashiered, The General approves the Sentence and orders it to take place immediately — A Detachment consisting of two Lieu.t Col.s & two Majors 10 Captains & 30 Subal.s 30 Serg.ts 30 Corp.ls 4 Drums 2 Fifes & 676 Privates to Parade tomorrow Morning at 11 O Clock on the Common in Cambridge to Go on Command with Col. Arnold of Connecticut one Company of Virginia Riflemen & 2 Companys from Col Hompson.s Regiment from Pensylvania of Riflemen to Parade at the same Time & Place to join the above Detachment — Tents & Waggons proper & necessary for the whole will be Supplied by the Quater Master General immediately on the Detachment being collected, As it is Imagined the Officers Men sent from this Regiment to the Head Qat Roxbury will be such Volunteers as are active Woodsmen & well acquainted with Battoes so it is recommended that none but such will offer themselves for the Service — Col. Arnold & the Adjutant General will attend upon the Common in Cambridge tomorrow in the forenoon to receive & Parade the Detachment the Quarter Master General will be also there to Supply Tents &c — the

The Col.s & Officers of the Massachusetts Regiments who have delivered in their Pay Abstracts at Head Quarters are immediately to apply to the General for his Warrant on the Paymaster General James Warren Esq.r for their Pay for the Month of August agreable to the Order of the 31st of last Month — As great Complaints have heretofore been made by the Men in Regard to their Pay the General expects the utmost exactness & Dispatch will be made in the Payment —

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 6.th 1775 —

Parol Albany Countersign Billingsbrook —

Whereas a number of Sutlers utterly disregarding Sabbath Sell Liquor; to the utter Subversion of all good Order & the continual Debauch caused thereby; the Land becomes guilty of those Crimes which wicked Inhabitants produce; To prevent such Evils spreading in Camp; no such Person to presume to Sell Stores or Liquors to the Troops unless he be appointed Sutler by the Col: or Officer belonging to the same who will immediately punish such Sutler for any Transgression of Orders he is directed to observe; And if any appointed Sutler presume to Sell any Liquors or Stores to the Troops it is recommended to the Brigadier General to Issue an Order for Securing the Persons & Effects; The Delinquent to be punished at the Discretion of a General Court Martial & his Effects to be used for the Fatigue Men an Account rendered; if any belonging to Camp thinking this Order does not extend to the Sutlers who are appointed by the Government & who are appointed to act as Sutlers to the Regim.t to which they are appointed: they being subject to all Rules & Regulations of the Army as if appointed by the Col.o —

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as the Removings of some of the Regiments from Head Quarter render it difficult finding an Invitation for the Officers; the Commander in Chief for the future desires that the Field Officer for the Day, the Officers of his own Guard & the Adjutant of the Day consider themselves to dine at Head Quarters, & this general Invitation be accepted accordingly

Field Officer of the Day Majr. Durkee tomorrow
Adjutant of the Day Fox

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 7.th 1775

Parol Cambridge Countersign Dorchester

General Orders; repeated Complaints being made by the Regimental Surgeons that they are not allowed proper necessaries for the Use of the Sick before they become fit Objects for the General Hospitals and the Director General of the Hospitals complains that contrary to the Rules of every Establishd Army these regimental Hospitals are more expensive than can be conceived, which plainly indicates that it is either an unpardonable abuse in one side or unaccountable neglect on the other; and whereas the General is extending Defirous of having the utmost Care taken of the Sick whenever placed & in every Stage of their Disorder & at the same time is determined not to suffer any Imposition upon the Publick he requires & Orders that the Brigadier Generals with their Commanding Officers of each Regim.t in the Brigade do set as a Court of enquiry into the Cause of these Complaints & that they Summon the Director General of the Hospital & their several Regimental Surgeons before them & have the whole Matter investigated & reported. This Enquiry to begin at the left of the Line tomorrow Morning at the Hour of 10 at General Sullivans Brigade ——— when

When a Soldier is so sick that it is no longer safe & proper for him to him to Live in Camp he should be sent to the General Hospital so near & so well appointed ——

Col: Thompson's Regim.t of Riflemen to be mustered tomorrow Morning at 7 o'Clock: General Greene's Brigade to Muster Saturday Morning the same Hour these Corps are to be one Day off Duty previous to their mustering ——

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 8.th AD 1775 ——

Parol Edenton Counter Sign Falkland ——

Capt.n Perry of Col: Walker's Regim.t tried by a General Court martial whereof Col: Alden was President for permitting Persons to pass the Lines on Boston Neck is found guilty of the Crime laid to his Charge but from alleviating Circumstances is sentenced to be severely reprimanded at the Head of the Regim.t The General approves the Sentence & Orders it to be put in Execution immediately: The Detachment going under Col: Arnold to be forthwith taken off the Roll of Duty & to march this Evening to Cambridge Common where Tents & every Thing is provided for their Reception the Rifle Company at Roxbury & those on Prospect Hill to march early tomorrow Morning to form the above Detachment: such Officers & Soldiers as are taken from General Greene's Brigade for the above Detachment are to attend the Muster of their respective Regiments tomorrow Morning at 7 o'Clock on Prospect Hill when the Muster is finished they are forthwith to join the Detachment at Cambridge: ——

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 8.th AD 1775 ——

Parol Geneva Counter Sign Hartford: The Maj.r General Commanding the Army posted between Prospect Hill & Cambridge River is to be very exact obliging the Col.s & Field Officers to give

Camps of their respective Regiments & in particular the
Col.s Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 9.th A D 1775.
Parol Indorston Cs Sign Hensdale
Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 10.th A D 1775
Parol Lancester Counter Sign Middletown
General Orders Col Ebenezer Bridge of the 27.th Regiment
of Foot in the Service of the united Colonies tryed by a
General Court martial whereof Brigadier Greene was President
for Misbehaviour & Neglect of Duty in the Action at Bunkirs
Hill on the 17.th of June last: The Court are of Opinion that
X Indisposition of Body rendered the Prisoner incapable of
action; and do therefore acquit him: Ens.n Moses Haw of
Col: David Brewers Regiment tried by a General Court martial
whereof Col Alden was President for Contempt of the Service
the Court after due examination of the Evidence acquitted the
Prisoner; Ens.n Levi Bowing of said Regim.t tried by the same
Court Martial for absenting from his Regim.t without Leave
the Court find the Prisoner Guilty of the Crime laid to his
Charge & do therefore Sentence him to be Cashiered: Gen.l
Heaths Brigade to be mustered on Thursday Morning next
at 7 O Clock & Col: Frys Brigade on Saturday Morning at
the same Hour: Col Thompsons Batalion of Riflemen at
Prospect Hill to take their Share of all Duty Guard &
Fateague with the Brigade they encamp with: a General
Court martial to set as soon as possible to try the Men of
that Regiment who are now in Prison at Prospect Hill charged
with Mutiny: The riflemen posted at Roxbury & Jamels Point
are to do Duty with the Brigade with which they are posted

The General Court martial to meet tomorrow Morning at 7 o Clock to Consist of 3 Field Officers & 10 Captains

Field Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Majr Johnson

Adjutant of the Day Gibbs —

Head Quarters Cambridge Septemr 11th AD 1775

Parol Newbury Countersign Ogden

Head Quarters Cambridge Septemr 12th AD 1775

Parol Pembroke Sign Quebec

Head Quarters Cambridge Septemr 13th AD 1775

Parol Sign

The 33 Riflemen of Col. Thompsons Batalion tried yesterday by a Genral Court martial whereof Col. Nixon is President for Disobedience & misbehaviour are each of them Sentenced to pay 20/. except John Lamond over & above the 20/ is to Suffer 6 Days imprisonment. The Paymaster General is to stop it out of their next months pay. which is to be delivered to Doct. Church for the Use of the genral Hospital

Head Quarters Cambridge Septemr 14th 1775

Parol Roxbury Countersign Salem

Genll Orders In obedience to the General Order of the 7th instant a Court of Enquiry into the Conduct of Doct. Church Director General of the Hospital & Respective Surgeons has been in General Sullivans Brigade Finished: and the same to be held forthwith in General Greens Brigade

Regimental Orders that both Officers & Soldiers do appear upon the Muster next Saturday in their best Habits with their Cloths clean & their Hats cocked up & they that have

Breeches & white Stockings ware them with their Hairs
Shaved & their Heads well combed & powdered & their Arms
& accoutriments clean & bright

Cambridge Septem.r 15th. A.D 1775

Parol Pittsburgue Sign Ulster

Col. John Mansfield of the 19th. Regiment of Foot tried
by a general Court martial whereof Brigadier General
Greene was President for Remissness & backwardness in
the execution of his Duty at the Late Engagement on
Bunker. Hill, found the Prisoner guilty of the Charge &
a Breach of the 19th. Article of the Rules & Regulations of the
Army & therefore Sentenced to be cashiered & rendered unfit to serve
in this Army: The General approves the Sentence & orders it
to take place immediately: Moses Pitcher in Capt.n Hamilt.n
Comp.y in Col. Glover.s Regt. tried by a Court martial for
Disobedience of Orders & Damning his Officers found guilty &
is Sentenced to receive 30 Lashes on his bare Back &
afterwards drumed out of the Regiment; Tommorow Morning
at the Troops beating Col Fry.s Regim.t to be mustered:
General Heath.s Regim.t Furnishes two Guards to Morrow Morning
in & about Cambridge

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 16th. A.D 1775

Parol Virginia Sign York

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 17th. A.D 1775

Parol Andover Counter Sign Beverly

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 16th A.D 1775

Parol Wilmington Countersign Yarth

General Orders Serg.t James Kinney of Capt. Jervis Compan.y of Riflemen tried by a General Court martial for expressing himself disrespectful of the Continental Association & Drinking General Gage's Health the Court Sentence the Prisoner to be depriv.d of his Arms & Accoutrements & put into a Horse Cart with a Rope round his Neck & drumed out of the Camps & rendered forever incapable of Serving in the Continental Army

John Catton of Capt. Catton's Regim.t tried by the same Court martial for defrauding the Regim.t of Part of their Allowance of Provision the Court Sentence the Prisoner to refund & pay back £4 4s 0d to said Regiment & be disqualified to serve in said Regiment as Quarter Master Serg.t for the future

Field Officer of the Day Tomorrow Lieu.t Col. Stores

Adjutant of the Day Tyler

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 17th A.D 1775

The Rev.d Mr. John Murry is appointed Chaplain to the Rhode Island Regim.t & is to be respected as such. Col. Prescot Regim.t Lieu.t Col. Johonnet of the 21st Regiment is to go forthwith & take the Command of that Fort at Sewells Point

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 18th A.D 1775

Parol Brunswick Countersign Cambridge

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 19 A.D 1775

Parol Danvers Countersign Essex

Head Quarters Cambridge the 20th A.D 1775

Parol Falmouth Countersign Gloucester General Orders as the Commissions are ready to be delivered to the Officers Serving in

in the Army of the united Colonies: The General recommends it to them to apply as soon as it is convenient to him at Head Quarters for the same; no Person is to presume to Demand a Continental Commission who is not in actual Possession of the like Commission from the proper Authority of the Colony he is at present engaged to Serve which must be produced at the time application is made for a continental Commission — if from unavoidable Circumstances any Gentleman has Serve from the Begining of the Campain in the Rank of a Commission Officer & has not as yet received a Commission being justly intitled thereto Such Officers Pretention will be duly weighed & Considered & upon Sufficient Proof of the Justice of his Claim a Commission will Issue accordingly; The General expects every Officer will deliver his present Commission or Claim to a Commission to his Col: or Officer commanding the Regiment & each Col: or Officer commanding a Regim: is forthwith to apply to the General for the Commissions for the Officers of their respective Regiments — The 1st 2: & 3: Regiment to apply tomarrow Morning at 9 o Clock & so on Day by Day till the whole are Supplied 3 Regimts each Day;

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem: 21st AD 1775

Parol Hanover Countr Sign Ipswich — Whereas frequent Application has been made to the Commander in chief by Officers of all Ranks & Denaminations for an allowance of Rations & Provisions which are not actually & absolutely necessary but usual & customarily allowed them; The General has thought proper to Order & direct that from the 1st Day of July last there be allowed by the Comissary General the following Proportion of Rations & Provisions (viz) to each Majr Genel 15 Brigadier Genel 12 Col: 6 Lieut Col: 5 Majr 4. Capt 3. Subal: 2 & each Staff Officer 2

Head Quarters Cambridge the 22d: September AD 1775

Parol Lynn Counter Sign Marblehead: General Orders The under named Prisoners tried by a General Court Martial for Mutiny Riot & Disobedience of Orders are Severally found Guilty of the which they are accused by the Court upon due Examination of the Evidences; do adjudge that the Prisoner John Pearls receive 39 Lashes upon his bare back & be drumed out of the Army; that the Prisoners John Garland Jacob Smallwood; John Peter. Samuel Grant; Hugh Henry James Jeffery Charles Almair Samuel Harry[illegible]; Charles Parall; James Williams; John Kelly. John Bogan; Philip Lawrance do each of them receive 30 Lashes upon his naked back & be Drumed out of the Army; The Prisoners Lawrance Blake, Sam[l] Bowlin. John Bozar. Benj[a] Bartholomew Frances Ellis. Joseph Lawrance John Sharp; John Poor Joseph Frasander John Foster. John Lis Lawrance Bartlet; Philip Gratz; Peter Gordon. Richard Sanders Robert Hooper; Anthony Lewis; Nicholas Able; & Thomas Matyard be fined 20/ each; Joseph Foster, Joseph Lawrance & Joseph Frasander be recommended by the Court martial as proper Objects of Mercy; The Commander in chief is pleased to remit the Fine & to order the Sentence upon all the others to be put in Execution at Guard Maunting to morrow Morning those upon Prospect Hill to receive their Punishment there the rest at the Maingaurd; John George Frazier Esq[r] being appointed Assistant to the Quater Master General for the District of Prospect & Winter Hill he is to be obeyed as such

Col: Stark of New Hampshire having Complained that through Mistake or inadvertancy in the Court that was appointed to Settle the Rank of the Regim.ts of Officers of the Army he had not Justice done him: even upon the Principles they themselves laid down for the Govern.t of that Matter: The General Orders that the Brigadier Gen.l & the 6 Field Officers who composed that Court to Sit tomorrow at 9 O'Clock to enquire into the Cause of this Complaint at the same Time if Col: Dolittle who has also expressed some dissatisfaction on an.t of his Rank can urge any new to the Court he may be heard, the Court are likewise to Settle the Rank of the Officers of the Rifle Comp.s posted at Roxbury. Field officer of the Day ~~~~~

tomorrow Maj.r Durkee Adj.t of the Day Dolover

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 23: A D 1775

Parol Newbury Sign Plymouth ~~~~

Field Officer of the Day ~~ tomorrow Maj.r Woods

Adj.t of the Day Tyler ~~~~

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 24.th A D 1775

Parol Quebec Sign Richmond General Order

Maj.r Scarborough Gridley tried at a late general Court martial whereof Brigadier Greene was President for being deficient in his Duty upon the 17.th of June last the Day of the Action on Bunker Hill: The Court find Maj.r Scarborough Gridley guilty of the Breach of Orders they do therefore dismiss him from the Massachusetts Service but on account of his unexperience & Youth & the Great Confusion that attended that Day. Transaction in general they

do

do not consider him incapable of a Continental Commission should the General Officers recommend him To his Excelency the General confirms the Dismission of Majr Scarborough Gridley & orders it to take Place accordingly: — George Hambleton a Soldier in Capt Deates Company in Col: Woodbridges Regimt tried at a general Court martial where Col: Nixon was President for Stealing a blue great Coat the Property of Solomon Lathroop the Court find the Prisoner guilty of the Charge & Sentence him To receive 30 Lashes upon his bare back & be drumed out of the Army & order his Capt to Deduct £10.10.0 out of his pay & pay To Wm Pennener for so much paid by him to y Prisoner for y Coat & that y Coat be returned To Wm Lathroop — John Sharp of Capt Nadens Company in Col: Phinney Regimt tried at y same Court martial for Stealing Catridges from his Comrade is aquited: The General Order the Sentence upon the Prisoner Hambleton To be executed & the Prisoner Sharp to be releasd — The General directs the following Minute from the House of Representatives of this Colony to be inserted in general Orders in the House of Representatives y 23d Day of Septembr 1775 resolved that the Speaker Mr Gary & Majr Hawley be & they are hereby appointed To apply To his Excelency George Washington Esqr with the Desire of this House that he will as soon as may be Cause a Return To be made of the Names of Officers & Men To each Regimt established by this Colony & now in the American Army respectively belonging including such of each Regt as are deceased since its Establishmt or have been Draftid for this Detachment ordered for Quebec & specifying the Names of the Towns & other Places from which they were respectively inlisted in order To enable the Court to rectify & prevent any Errors in Accounts which have been & may be rendered for Payment &

of Blankets & other Articles Supplied the Soldiers according
to the Terms of their Inlistment a true Copy from the Rec.
Minits attest Samuel Freeman Clerk

The Enquiry into the Conduct of Dep.t Chief Director
General of the Hospitals & the respective Regimental Surgeons to be held
to morrow Morning in Col. Frye's Brigade the General Court
martial of which General Greene was President is dissolved

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r the 25.th 1775

Parol Sandwich Countersign Truro; General Orders

as frequent Applications to the Maj.r Generals for Furloughs
have became very Troublesome & takes up much of their Time
The following method of Granting them for the future is to be
observed & under no Pretence whatever to be dispensed with
untill further Orders on their Head (viz) The Col.o or Commanding
Officers of Regim.ts or Corps when they find it realy Requisite &
not else have permissions to Give Furloughs to Non Commission
Officers & Soldiers of the Corps they respectively command provid.
they do not suffer more than 2 Privates to be absent at any
one Time from a Company & not more than one Non Commission
Officer nor allowing any Person to be absent more than 20 Days
in 6 Months; in extraordinary Cases a further Indulgence
may be given by the Generals of Brigades upon Application
from his Col.o; All Commissioned Officers are to apply for
Leave of Absence through their own Col.o or commanding
Officer to y.e General of Brigades to which belong who is desired
never to Suffer more than one Field Officer & four others to be absent at
one Time from the Regim.t nor for more than 20 Days in a month
In extraordinary Cases a further Indulgence may be given by the Ma.

Majr General commanding each Division upon the
Application of the Brigadier of his Division
As the Committee have settled the Rank between Col. Stark
& Col. Jonathan Brewer the General desires the Col. of
the Regimt. No. 6, 7 & 8. to apply immediately for the
Continental Commissions for the Officers in their respective
Companies that the next Regimt. in Succession will
apply tomorrow Morning & so on three every Morning
afterwards till the whole are served
Head Quarters Cambridge Septembr. 26th. AD 1775
Parol Virginia Countersign Waltham
For the future weakly Returns on Saturday are to be
made in the old Form to the Majr. of Brigade who will
give printed Forms as usual by Adjutant of every Brigade
at orderly Time tomorrow
Regimental Orders That the Officers & Soldiers be
paraded at 3 O Clock in ye afternoon for the future under
the Care of Majr. Johnson or the Adjutant: that for the future
the Rolls of the respective Companies be called over at that
Time & the Officers are directed to make a proper Example
of all Delinquents awarding to the Directions given in the
Continental Regulations for the Army
Head Quarters Cambridge, Septembr. the 27. AD 1775
Parol Yorkshire Countersign Amboy
Amos Brown of Capt. Wileys Comp.y in Col. Whitcombs
Regimt. tried at a General Court martial whereof Col. Bridge
was President for mutinous Behaviour & abusive Language the
Court unanimously is of Opinion that the Prisoner is not
guilty

guilty thereof acquit the Prisoner; General Thomas's Brigade to be mustered on Monday Morning at 7 o'Clock; and General Spencer's on Wednesday Morning at the same Hour — Officer of the Day — tomorrow Maj.r Burbee adjt.t of the Day Montague

At a Meeting of the Capt.ns & Lieutenants of the 3.d Regiment raised by the Colony of Connecticut or the 34.th of the Continental string upon the Appointment of Lt.t Tho.s Dyer Capt.n of the 8.th Company in said Regiment in the Stead of Capt.n Elliot deceased

Capt.n Knolton Moderator

1.st Voted as the unanimous Sense of this Meeting that Mr. Dyer coming into the Regiment at so late a Time of the Campain or even after the Men are raised is an Infringement upon the reasonable Expectations of the Officers of the Regiment & has a direct Tendency to discourage a laudable Ambition in Officers & Men to distinguish themselves in Times of Difficulty & Danger which Ambition has ever been encouraged by the best of Generals with Promises of Preferment upon any Vacancy

2.dly Voted that a Committee be appointed to wait on Mr. Dyer to let him know the Sense of this Meeting & their Desire that he would not come into the Regiment as Capt.n of said Company viz

Capt.ns { Knolton / Mosely / Waterman } Lieut.s { Cutler / & Huntington } a Committee

3.dly Voted that Mr. Dyer be treated with all due Respect as a Person whom the Officers of said Regim.t universally esteem & would be glad to serve with; could he come in upon any Ground consistent with the Honour of the Officers of said Regim.t or has he belonged thereto at its first raising

Cambridge Septem.r 27.th 1775 / Test Tho.s Grosvenor Clerk

A true Entry of the Minutes of s.d Meeting

Head Quarters Cambridge Septem.r 28.th 1775

Parol Bedford Countersign Chatham

The Enquiry into the Conduct of Doct.r Church Director General of the Hospital & the respective regimental Surgeons being finished in the four Brigades in & near Cambridge conformable to the General Orders of the 7.th instant the same is to take place in Brigadier General Thomas's Brigade on Saturday — The General Court martial whereof Col: Nixon was President is dissolved A General Court martial of the Line to set tomorrow at 9 O'Clock at Cambridge to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court — For the Court martial 1 Col: 1 Lieu.t Col: 1 Maj.r & 10 Capt.s —

John Hawkins & Robert Higgens of Capt.n Wyley's Comp.y in Col: Sargents Regim.t upon an Appeal from a Regimental Court martial tried by the late General Court martial whereof Col: Nixon was President for Theft; The Court find the Prisoner John Hawkins guilty of the charge & do sentence that he do return the Money Stolen by him to the owner Charles Caldwell amounting to £13.8.0 L.M — & that he receive 39 Lashes upon his bare back The Court acquit the Prisoner Robert Higgens; The General approves the Sentence & Orders the Prisoner Hawkins to be punished at the Head of the Regim.t & the Prisoner Higgens to be released immediately; —

Cambridge Septem.r 29.th 1775

Parol Dedham Countersign Epsom; General Orders
a Court of Enquiry to sit this afternoon at 3 O Clock
to examine into a Complaint of Lieu.t Col. Abijah Brawn
of the 25.th Regim.t against Col. Ruggles Woodbridge. Col.
Glover President Col. Bridge & Maj.r Durkee Maj.r
Woods & Maj.r Lee Members

Head Quarters Septem.r 30.th 1775

Parol Fairfax Countersign Gosport; General Orders
a Court of Enquiry ordered to sit this Day in Brigadier
General Spencer's Brigade in relation to the Dispute
between the Director of the General Hospital & the Regimen
tal Surgeons; on account of the Indisposition of Doct.r Church
to be postponed till further Orders

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.r the 1.st 1775

Parol Hampton Countersign Poland.

The Col.s & Commanding Officers of Corps are upon Application
from the Quarter Master General immediately to Employ
under his Direction all the Carpenters in the several Regim.ts
to erect Barracks for the Regim.ts & Corps they respectively Belong
to; Lieu.t Cummins of Cap.t Deans Company in Col. Prescotts
Regiment tried at a General Court martial whereof Col.
Hitchcock was President; For Misbehaviour in the Action on
Bunker's Hill; The Court is unanimously of Opinion he is
not Guilty of the Charge & the Complaint appears to the Court
groundless & malicious. The General approves the proceedings of the
Court & Orders Lieu.t Cummins to be instantly released from his Arrest.

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: the 2: 1775

Parol Kingston Countersign Lincoln

Head Quarters Cambridge October the 3: 1775

Parol Malden Countersign Norfolk: any Officer non Commissioned Officer or Soldier, who shall hereafter be detected playing Pitch & Hustel or any other Game of Chance in or near the Camps or Villages tendering in the Encampments shall without delay be confined & punished for Disobedience of Orders — The General does not mean by the above Order to discourage Sports & Pleasure & Recreations he only means to discountenance & punish Gaming: Capt. Proctor of Capt. Fletchers Company in Col. Doolittle's Regim.t tried at a Late General Court martial, for absenting himself from his Regim.t y.e 9.th of August till the 27.th of Septem.r following. the Court finds the Prisoner Guilty of the Crime & Orders him to be mulcted one Month's Pay for his Offence; John Gallop of Capt. Watkins's Company in Col. Patterson's Regim.t tried at the above Court martial for absenting himself from his Regim.t from the 27.th of June till the 27.th of Septem.r following & for carrying off & disposing of a Colony Gun the Court find the Prisoner guilty of the Crime whereof he was accused & Sentence him to be whipped on his bare Back 15 Lashes & order the Value of the Gun to be stopped out of his Wages

Dan.l Isaac Foster is to take the Direction & Superintendency of the General Hospital untill further Orders this & he stayed as Director during that Time —

Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Col. Stores

Adjutant of the Day Montague —

Privates for Guard tomorrow —

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 4th: A D 1775

Parol Oxford Countersign Pittsburgh

The General approves the Sentence of the Court martial upon Ens.n Proctor: & John Gallop mentioned in Orders of the 3d: instant: & orders the Sentence on John Gallop to be executed at Time & Place as the Col: of the Regim.t shall direct

Field Officer of the Day tomorrow Lieu.t Col: Robinson

Adju.t of the Day Searles

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 5th: A D 1775

Parol Quebec Countersign Roxbury

Lieu.t Zebadiah Walker tried at a General Court Martial whereof Col: Farnham was President: for Cowardice in the Action on Bunker Hill the 17th: of June last: The Court on Consideration of the Evidence are unanimously of Opinion the Prisoner is not guilty of the Charge against him: The General orders the Prisoner to be instantly released

Regimental Orders for the 34th: Regiment: a regimental Court martial to be held tomorrow Morning for the Trial of such Prisoners as shall be brought before them: Capt. Mosely President: Lieu.t Huntington Lieu.t Fitch Lieu.t Gray Lieu.t Grosvenor to sit tomorrow Morning at 8 O Clock

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at a regimental Court martial held in the 34th: Regement of Foot pt Order of Lieu.t Col: Experience Storrs Commander of said Regiment the fifth Day of Octo.r A D 1775. Capt.n Elisha Mosely President Huntington } Members { Fitch } Grosvenor X

The Court proceeded to try William Manning of Capt.n Burbeck's Comp.y in said Regem.t confined for Disobedience of Orders for refusing to turn out to Roll Call when commanded by the orderly Serg.t of said Company: the Court find the Prisoner guilty unanimously Sentence the Prisoner to be whiped on his naked Back Thirty Stripes at the Head of the Regiment

William Manning of Majr Durkee Company in the 8th Regimt commanded by Lieut Col Stores tried at a Regimental Court martial for Disobedience of Orders & found guilty of the Charge & adjudged to be whipt 10 Stripes on his naked body the Lieut Col approves the Sentence & order it to be put in Execution at the Relief of the Quarter Guard tomorrow Morning

Ebenezer Stores Lieut Col

Head Quarters Octo 6th 1775

Parol Stockbridge Countersign Talbutt

Head Quarters Octo 7th 1775 General Orders

Parol Uxbridge Countersign Williamsburg

Lieut Col Elijah Brown tried at a late Genral Court martial whereof Col Ritzbeck was President for endeavouring to defraud the Continent by mustering two Soldiers whom he had at the same Time employed working on his Farm the Court having duly considered the Evidence are of Opinion that Lieut Col Brown is not guilty of any Fraud in endeavouring to have Herrington & Clark Mustered in the Manner he did but the Court are of Opinion that Col Brown is guilty of employing Herrington 14 Days & Clark 18 Days out of the Army upon his own Business yet are inclined to think it was done rather through Ignorance than a fraudulent Intent therefore adjudge he be fined £4 0 0 L M for said Offence

The General Orders Lieut Col Brown to be released as soon as he has paid his Fine to Doct. Foster Director of the Hospital who will apply it to the Use of the Sick in the general Hospital under his Care

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The General Hopes the Stigma Fixed on Lieu.t Col. Brown by the above Sentence will be a sufficient Warning to all Officers not to be guilty of the like Offence; especially as the General is confident no general Court martial will for the future admit a Plea of Ignorance an Excuse of so attrocious a Crime

His Excellency Govenor.r Commission being produced to the Commander in chief by Thos.r Dyer Esq.r appointing him the said Dyer to be a Capt.n in the 24.th Regim.t of Foot the said Regim.t was raised in the Colony of Connecticut & the Officers commissioned by the Legislative Authority thereof, The General Orders Thos.r Dyer Esq.r immediately to join his Company to be received into the said Regiment as a Captain & to be obeyed as such; The General Court martial whereof Col.o Hitchcock is President is dissolved — tomorrow Maj.r Brooks X

Detail Capt.n Waterman.s Company 1 Sub.t & 6 private for guard

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.r 8.th 1775 General Orders for the future the Adjutant General, will send the Parol & Countersign under the Seal Cover by the orderly Adjutants to Head Quarters & the Maj.rs of Brigades Sam.l Box, Cary & Henley; they at Gun Firing in the Evening, & not before are to deliver the Parol & Sign to the Adjutants of the respective Brigades & the Adjt.s are first to deliver the Parol & Sign to the Officers of the advanced Guards; then to the Officers of every Guard in & about the Camp; then to their Commanding Officers & Corps. The Roxbury Adjutants will receive at orderly times the Parol & Sign in the Seal Cover directed to the commanding Genival at Roxbury who will observe the same orderly Time of delivering them to the Officers of his Encampment

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as is directed to be done here

a General Court martial to sit tomorrow Morning to try such Person as shall be brought before them Col: Bridge President, Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Majr Stony

adju: Montague Dittos to privates for Guard for Fatigues. Tho: Grosvenor on General Putnam's Quarter Guard had Parol Yarmouth Countersign Amboy given him

Head Quarter Cambridge Octo: 9th: A D 1775

General Orders if any Negros Straggling about the Camps or about any of the Villages near the Encampment at Roxbury or Cambridge they are to be seized & kept to Morrow in the Guard nearest where such Negros are taken up Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Majr Johnson

Adjutant of the Day Scarlet

3d Connecticut

Regimental Orders for the 3d: Regiment General Putnam having directed this Regim: to provide in building of Barracks to accommodate the Men through the Winter it is concluded by the Field Officers in this Regiment that the utmost Dispatch be made in effecting the same & that the present Season is the best for the Work that those who have the Care & oversight of the Work hasten it forward with as great Expedition as the Circumstances of Things with Respect to Tools &c will admit: Capt. Tho: Hobbart is appointed to oversee & take the Care & Oversight of the whole & Subal: 2 Serg: & 2 Corp: to be daily employed under his direction & such a Number of Carpenters & Workmen as he shall stand in need of; the Number wanted to be daily reported to the Col: or Chief Commanding Officer present that there may be Order daily for Draughting the Men & Setting them to work &c

The Beating of the Reveille in the Morning to assemble for Work to Labour untill 8 o Clock; when they are to be dismiss for Breakfast 3/4 of an Hour; then to assemble at the Beating of the Pioneers march which is to be at the Works to Labour untill 12 o Clock & be dismist untill One in the afternoon; then to assemble at the same Beat in the same Place & Labour untill the Firing of the Evening Gun this Practice to be persued untill further order: or untill the Work is compleated

Cambridge Octo: 9th AD 1775 Experience Stores Lieu: Col:

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 10th AD 1775

Field Officer of the Day: — Tomorrow Lieu: Col Stone

adjut: of the Day Tyler

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 10th 1775

Parole Countersign

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 11th AD 1775

Parole Falkland Countersign Georgia

Capt: Samuel Gridley of the Artilery tried at a late General Court Martial whereof Col: Bridge was President for: Backwardness in the Execution of his Duty: & for Negligence in the Care & Discipline of his Men: the Court upon mature Consideration of the Evidence examined in Support of the Charge are unanimously of Opinion that no part of the Charge is supported against Capt: Gridley & Dismiss the Complaint as malicious & Groundless The General Approves of the Proceedings of the Court Martial & order Capt: Gridley immediately to be released

Field Officer of the Day Tomorrow, Lieu: Col: Robertson

Adjutant of the Day Hardy

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 11th & 12th AD 1775

Parole Hampton Countersign Ireland

Field Officer of the Day Tomorrow

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo. the 13th A D 1775

Parole Kennebeck Countersign Lebanon General Orders

Liut. Richard Woodward of Capt. Gridly's Company in Col. Gridly's Regim.t of Artilery tried at a late general Court martial whereof Col. Woodbridge was President for Cowardice in the Action on Bunker's Hill the 17th of June last & for Muting; The Court were unanimously of Opinian that the Charge of Cowardice on the 17th of June last is fully supported against the Prisoner & they are also unanimously of Opinion that the Prisoner is guilty of muting & of a malicious & Groundless Accusation of Capt. Gridly at a late general Court martial; The Court therefore unanimusly adjudge the Prisoner Liut. Woodward to be Cashiered & rendered incapable of Serving in the Continental Army

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Field Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Lieut. Col. Brow

Adj.t of the Day Fox

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo. 14th A D 1775

Parole Countersign General Orders

The General has seen & approves the Sentence of the general Court Martial in Regard to Liut. Woodward accordingly he orders Liut. Richard Woodward to be immediately dismiss from the Camp; Field officer of the Day

Tomorrow Maj.r Durbee Adj.t of the Day Dolliver

Details 1 Tubal.n & 6 Privates for Guard & for Fatigue

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 15th AD 1775

1 Corpl: & 9 for Guard

Regimental Orders: The orderly Sergents in the 3d: Regim: are requird forthwith to make Return to the Lieu: Col: or Maj: of the Names of the House Joyners in their respective Companies likewise the Names of the Masons Cambridge Octo: 15th 1775 Experience Stover Lieu: Col:

Gen: Orders 1 Sub: 1 Serg: & 25 Rank & File from each of the Four Brigades in the Lines in Cambridge to parade tomorrow Morning at Sun Rise upon Cambridge Common to cut Fire Wood for the Army the Quatermaster General or his Deputy will attend on the Common at Cambridge & Give Directions to the Officers commanding the Parties

A General Court martial to set on Wednesday Morning next at Roxbury to try Col: David Brewer of the 9th Regiment of Foot upon an Accusation exhibited by a Number of Officers of that Regement: a Copy thereof having yesterday been sent by the Adjt General to Col: Brewer the Judge Advocate to be at Roxbury by 9 O Clock Wednesday Morning to set in Court all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court at that Time for the Court martial Brigadier General Thomas President 4 Col: 4 Lieu: Col: & 4 Maj: Members the Members to be taken equally from the 2 Brigades

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 16: AD 1775 General Orders That the two Brigades commanded by Brigadier Gen: Heath & Col: Frye are to Man the Flat bottomd Boats every Day alternately till further Orders: those that are ordered on Duty in their Brigades are to be excused from the above Exercise Regimental Orders: Benjamin Shaw of the 3d: Regim: in Capt Watermans Company tryed by a regimental Court Martial for Theft the Prisoner pleaded Guilty: the Court unanimously sentence the Prisoner to be whiped 39 Lashes on his naked Body & be drumed out

of the Regiment likewise to pay to Ishmael Moffatt
8/ 0 L.M. to be deducted out of his Wages the Lieu.t Col of
said Regim.t disapproves of the Judgment of the Court martial
so far as relates to his being drumed out of the Regiment but
agrees with & fully approves of his being whipped on the naked
Body 39 Lashes & orders the same to be put in Execution
tomorrow Morning at the Relieving of the Quarter Guard
& likewise that 8/ Shillings be stopped out of his Wages
& paid to Ishmael Moffatt Octo.r 16.th 1775

Experience Storer Lieu.t Col.o

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.r 17.th 1775

The Quarter Master General will deliver the Majr of
each Brigade, or their order twenty Great Coats for the Use of the
Centinels of each Brigade, as the Brigade Majr is to give
Receipts for the same; he is to be answerable that they are
regularly delivered from Guard to Guard

Lieu.t Thos Randal of the Regiment of Artillery tried at a
late General Court Martial for Stabbing a Matross in
said Regiment the Court is of Opinion the Prisoner is guilty
of the 29.th Article of the Rules & Regulations of the
Massachusetts Army, but in Consideration of the Insulting
Behaviour of the Complainant adjudge Lieu.t Randal
only to receive a Severe Reprimand from the Col of the
Regiment at the Head of Company the Prisoner belongs to.

Detail tomorrow 1 Serg.t 1 Corp.l & 8 privates for Guard —

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.r 18.th 1775

General Order The General Court Martial ordered this
Day to set at Roxbury is postponed till Friday next at
10 O'Clock Brigadier General Thomas being obliged to attend
at Head Quarters this Evening

Capt.n Dyer to Mount main guard tomorrow

Octo: 19th 1775 no Orders

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 20th 1775 no: Orders

Officer of the Day ——— Tomorrow

adjutant of the Day

Details 1 Subal: 1 Serg.t & 8 privates for Guards

Parole Franklin Countersign Lynch

~~No Genal Orders 21 & 22 Days~~

Head Quarters Octo: the 21st 1775

Officer of the Day —— Tomorrow Col: Brickett

Adjutant Gibbs

The officers of Col: Gridley's Regiment in Majr Craines Corps of Artilery who are inclined to engage in the Servile of the united Colonies for one Year from the Day of the Expiration of the present Term of Service are to Deliver their Names & Rank they now Possess to the Adjutant General Tomorrow Morning at 10 Clock such as dissinclined to remain any longer in the Service to give in their Names also & their reasons for declining

~~Head Quarters~~

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 22: 1775

The Deputies from the Honorable Continental Congress having arived in this Camp in Order to Confer with the General the Several Governors of Rhode Island & Connecticut the Council of the Massechusetts Bay & the president of the Convention of New Hampshire on the Continuing an Army for the Defence & Support of America & its Liberties; all Officers who decline the further Service of their Country & intend to retire from the Army at the Expiration of their present Term of Service are to Signify their Intentions in Writing to their Col: which he is to deliver with his own to the Brigad: General or the Commanding Officer of his Brigade; Those brave Men & true Patriots who

are resolved to continue to Serve & Defend their Brethren their Priviledges & Property are to Consider themselves engaged till the Last of Decemr. 1776 unless Sooner discharged by the Honorable Continental Congress ~~& will in like Manner Signify their Intentions~~; this Return to be made at Orderly Time on Wednesday next.

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo. 23: AD. 1775 General Orders; Col. David Brewer of the 9th. Regiment of Foot tried at a late General Court martial whereof Brigadier Thos was President for procuring a Lieo.t Commission for his Son: a unexperienced Boy of 16 or 17 years of Age & returning him as in the publick Service from the 24th. of April & drawing his Pay for the Month of August during all which Time said Boy was at Home in his Father's Service contrary to the repeated remonstrances of the Officers of the Regiment & also for making a Return to the Committee of Supplies for a Larger Number of Blankets than were requisite for the said Regiment & also for taking the Men from the publick Service in the Army & employing them in his own private Business in Labour upon his Farm — The Court Martial upon mature Consideration are of Opinion that the two Last Articles of the Accusation are X Supported fully against the Prisoner & therefore unanimously adjudge that Col. David Brewer be dismissed the Service

Head Quarters Octo. 24th: AD 1775
The General Approves the Sentence of the late General Court Martial as in Yesterday's Orders

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 25th 1775 General Orders

Stuart Byrd Esqr is appointed as Aide Camp to Majr General Lee during the absence of Lemuel Griffin Esqr: & is to be obeyed as such; for the future Peas & Beans are to be valued by the Commissary General at Six Shillings L.M pr Bushel

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 26th 1775

as Several of the Officers have not Signified their Intentions respecting ye Requisitions contained in ye Orders of the 22d: instant: & the Nature of the Case will admit of no Delay: the General directs that every Officer in the Army do Forthwith declare to his Col: or commanding Officer of his Regiment to which he belongs whether he will or will not continue in the Service untill the last Day of Decem: 1776; if the Continental Congress shall think it expedient to retain them so long; This Declaration must be made in explicit Terms & not conditional as the Congress must be advised thereof immediately in order that proper Steps may be taken to provide other men & Officers if necessary: the Times & the Importance of ye Cause we are engaged in; allow no Time for Hesitation & Delay while Life Liberty and Property are at Stake when our Country is in Danger of being the Melancholy Scene of Blood & Depolation; when our Towns are laid in Ashes & innocent Women & Children are driven from their peaceful Habitations exposed to the Rigor of an Inclement Season & to ye Hands of Charity, perhaps for Support when Calamities like these are staring us in the Face & a brutal Savage Enemy more so than ever yet was found in a civilized Nation are threating us & every thing we hold dear with Destruction; from Troops, it little becomes the

becomes the Character of a Soldier to shrink from Danger & Condition for new Terms; it is the Genl.ˢ Intentions to indulge both Officers & Soldiers who compose the new Army with Furloughs & be absent a reasonable Time; but it must be done in such a Manner as not to injure the Service or weaken the Army too much at once; The General also thinks he can take it upon him to assure the Officers & Soldiers of the new Army that they will receive their pay once a Month regularly after the Terms of their respective Inlistments are expired the May.ʳ of each Brigade is furnished with Forms of Returns to be made to y.ᵉ Col.o or Commanding Officer of each Regim.ᵗ of the Determination of the Commissian Officers therein & it is expected a Return thereof will be made on Saturday Morning without Fail no longer Time can be allowed; — The General is Willing to grant one Month.ˢ Pay to such Regim.ᵗ or Corps as want Money for the purchase of Necessaries & abstracts are to be made out of the Month of Septem.ʳ accordingly —

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.ʳ 27.th A.D 1775 —

In Making out the Pay abstracts for the Month of Septem.ʳ the Col.o or Commanding Officer of Corps are not to include any Officer or Soldier on the Detachment with Col.o Arnold as he drew full Pay for that Month for every Man under his Command —

Detail 1 Subal.ʳ 4 6 privates for Guard —

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo: 28th 1775

The General Court-martial whereof Col: Bridge was President is diſolved; it is recommended to the Noncommiſſioned Officers & Soldiers whoſe pay will be drawn in conſequence of laſt Thurſday's Order (eſpecially thoſe whoſe Attachment to the glorious Cauſe in which they are engaged will induce them to continue in the Service another Year) to lay out their Money for Shirts Shoes Stockings & good pair of Leather Breeches & not in Coats & Waiſtcoats as it is intended the new Army ſhall be clothed in uniform To effect which the Congreſs lay in Good upon the beſt Terms they can be bought anywhere for ready Money & will ſell them to the Soldiers without any Profit by which Means an uniform Coat & Waiſtcoat will come cheaper than any other Cloths of the like Kind can be bought a Number of Taylors will be immediately ſet to Work to make Regimentals for thoſe brave Men; who are willing at all Hazzards to defend their invaluable Rights & Priviledges: The under named Men in Col: Whitcomb's Regiment to be ſent to the Quarter Maſter General (viz) David Clark & Samuel Barret John Faroner; James Farmer; David Fleaman; Amos Brown; Joſhua Holt; Phillip Overlock & Joſeph Chaplain

to burn Charcoal for the use of the Army; Five more Woodcutters from each Brigade to be added to those already ordered; to Cut Firewood under the Direction of the Quartermaster General

a General Court Martial to set Monday Morning at 9 o Clock in Cambridge to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them: all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court

Josiah Meekum a Soldier in this Army but in what Regim.t or Comp.y is not known: may hear of some thing much to his Advantage by applying to the Adjutant General at Head Quarters: Field Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Maj.r Johnson

Adjutant Mantague

Parole Putnam Sign Heath

29 & 30.th No Orders nor Details

Head Quarters Cambridge Octo.r 31.st 1775

as many Officers & others have begun to inlist Men for the Continental Army without Orders from Head Quarters: the General desires an immediate Stop be put thereto, that the inlistments be returned & that no Person for the future presume to intermeddle in this Matter, untill there's a proper Establishment of Officers & those Officers authorized & instructed in what Manner to proceed: Commissions for the new Army are not intended merely for those who can inlist the most

then sent for such Gentlemen as are most likely to Serve them; The General would not have it ever Suspected therefore nor our Enimies — encouraged to believe that there is a Man in this Army except a few under particular Circumstances who will require to be twice asked to do what is Honar, his Person, his Liberty the Well fare of his Country & Safety of his Family so loudly — demands of him: when Motives powerful like these conspire to call them into Service — when that Service is rewarded with Higher Pay than private Soldiers ever yet met with in any former War, the General can not & will not till he is convinced to the Contrary harbour so despicable an Opinion of their Understanding & Zeal for the Cause as to believe they will desert it as the Congress has been at much Pains to buy Goods to Cloth the new Army & the Quarter Master General at great Trouble to Collect at the best Terms he can for Articles as are wanting for this Purpose he is directed to reserve those Goods for those brave Soldiers who are determined to stand forth in Defence of their Country another Year & that he may be able to distinguish those from such as mean to Quit the Service at the End of their present Engagement, he will be furnished with the Inlistments, any Person therefore (Negro excepted which the Congress do not incline to inlist again) coming with a Proper Order & well Subscribe the inlistment shall be

be immediately supplied —
and that every non Commissioned Officer & Soldier may know upon what Terms it is he engages: he is hereby informed that he is to be paid by the Calender Months at the present Rates (viz.) 48/ to the Sergents 44/ to the Corporal & Drummer & Fifers & 40/ to the Privates this pay it is expected will be regularly distributed every Month & each Man furnish his own Arms (& good ones) or if Arms are found him he is to allow 6/ for the Use of it during the Campain: that he is to pay for his Cloathing which will be laid in for him upon the best Terms it can be bought & do which a Stoppage of 10/ a Month will be made till the Cloths are paid for: that 12/ will be allowed every one of them who brings a good Blanket of his own with him & have Liberty to Carry it away at the End of the Campain: that the present allowance of Provision will be continued to them: that every Man who inlists shall be indulged in a reasonable Time to visit his Family in the Course of the Winter to be regulated in such a Manner as not to wear the Army or Injure the Service — The Quarter Master General in preparing Barracks for the Officers is to assign one to each Compleat Corps under the New Establishment —

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 1.st AD 1775

The General recommends it to those Officers who have Signified their Intentions to continue in the Service of the united Colonies another Campain not to run themselves to any Expence in providing Coats & Waistcoats untill they are arranged into proper Corps & the uniform of the Regim.ts they may belong to ascertained which will be perfectly done in a few Days

Head Quaters Cambridge Novem.r 2: 1775 no Order

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 3: AD 1775

William Briant, Alexander Ingraham, Francis Woburn & Joseph Rockwood tried at a late general Court martial for Stealing Rhum out of the Commissary General's Store the Court are of Opinion the Prisoners Briant, Ingrah.m & Woburn are not guilty but the Prisoner Rockwood above is guilty of the Crime laid to his Charge & do therefore Sentence the Prisoner Rockwood to receive ten Lashes upon his bare back at the Head of the Regiment to which he belongs the General approves the Sentence & Orders it to be executed as soon as the Weather will permit

Field officer of the Day - - Tomorrow Maj.r Durkee
Adjutant Montague
Detail 1 Sub: 1 Serg.t & 8 private for Guard -

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 4.th 1775

Field officer of the Day - - Tomorrow Lie.t Col.o Brown Adj.t of the Day Fox

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 5th 1775

General Orders. Samuel Huntington & John English Soldiers in the 24th Regim.t of Foot tryed by a late general Court Martial, for Mutiny, the Court upon mature Deliberation are of the Opinion that the Evidence against the Prisoners is not Sufficient to Convict them of Mutiny but that each of them are guilty of assisting & encouraging Mutiny therefore adjudge that each of them pay a Fine of 15/. & Suffer each of them 15 Days Fatigue; the General approves the Sentence & orders it to be put in Execution — As the Commander in chief has been apprized of a Design formed for the Observance of that ridiculous & childish Custom of burning y.e Effigies of the Pope; he cannot help expressing his Surprize that there should be Officers & Soldiers in the Army so void of common Sense as not to see the Impropriety of such a Step at this instant at a Time when we are Soliciting & have really obtained a Friendship & Alliance of y.e People of Canada; whom we ought to Consider as Brethren [illegible] in the same Cause for the Defence of the general Liberty of America; in such an instant & in such Circumstances to see insulting their Religion is so monstrous as not to be suffered nor excused; indeed instead of offering the most remote Insult, it is our Duty to address public Thanks to these our Brethren as to them we are so much indebted for our late happy Success over our common Enemy in Canada:— Field Officers to Day — Tomorrow Maj.r Mifflin adjut.t of the 24th Regim.t Detail & prize

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov: 6th: 1775

Robert Hanson Harris Esqr: is appointed Aide Camp to his Excellency the Commander in chief & all orders whether written or verbal coming from the General are to be punctually obeyed.

at the the Men confined by the Order of Col: Reed of the 26th: Regiment were released upon Application to Head Quarters, the General is so far from being displeased with Col: Reed: in his endeavour to prevent an Infringement of General Orders: That he thanks Col Reed: as he shall thank every Officer who strictly to Orders, as without so doing can never think Order or Disapline can be maintained in an Army.

The Disagreableness of the Weather & Scarcity of Wood inclines the General to overlook the Offence committed at that Time; but he hopes that Officers & Soldiers will for the future avoid wantonly cutting the Fences & wasting the Property of the Inhabitants to much Distress by the Depradation of the Enemy. Offr: of the Day — Tomorrow Majr: X Brooks Adjt: of the Day Tyler

Head Quarters Nov: 7th & 8th: 1775 nothing but details for Guard & Fatigue

Head Quarters Nov.r 9.th 1775 2.d Gen.l Order

To prevent any false Alarm Notice is hereby given that Rifle Battalion will discharge their Arms tomorrow at 12 O'Clock — Brigade Maj.r Henley having dropped his Pocket Book between Head Quarters & Prospect Hill in which was 42 Dollars in paper Money a Note of Hand & Sundry Letters any Person bringing the same to Maj.r Henley at Brigadier Gen.l Heath's in Cambridge will be handsomely rewarded

Officers &c

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 10.th 1775

The General thanks Col.l Thompson & other Officers & Soldiers as well as other Regim.ts for the Alacrity yesterday in passing through the Water to get to the Enemy on Leachmere Point, he is informed there were some Names as yet unknown who discovered a Backwardness in Crossing y.e Causeway: these will be marked if they can be discovered. The General was much surprised & concerned to see the Order of many the Arms in general of the Regim.ts appeared; he had not Time to enquire the Names of the particular Officers to whose Company they belonged: but desires this Hint may be received as an admonission to such Officers as are conscious of their neglect of this Duty; as other Methods will be taken upon if it is not.

Head Quarters Cambridge 11.th 1775. no Orders

Dated &c

Head Quarters Cambridge Novem: 12th 1775

General Orders, Each Col: upon the new Establishm.
to come to Head Quarters to morrow Morning at 10 Clock
in Order to receive from the Adjutant Genl as many
printed Inlistments as there are Commissioned Officers
in their Regim.ts They will thereupon without Delay
distribute one to each Officer, who is forthwith to proceed
to inlist men for their respective Regiments in the Continental
Army — The Soldiers in the Printed Inlistments are expres'd to
be engaged to serve untill the last Day of Decem.r 1776 —
In the General Orders of the 31st of Octo.r it is declared that
every noncommissioned Officer & Soldier shall be paid by
the Calender Month as follows, to a Serj.t 8/. to a Corpor.l
Drummer & Fifer 6/. & 6/ to each private which pay
it is expected will be regularly distributed every Month —
each noncommissioned Officer (Drummer & Fifer excepted)
is to furnish his own Arms; if arms are found him he is to
allow 6/. Shillings at the End of the Campain for the Use thereof
New Cloathing will forthwith be provided for every non
commissioned Officer & Soldier; for which an easy Stoppage
of only 6/ a month out of his Pay till the whole is paid
Two Dollars will be allowed to each noncommissioned Officer
& Soldier who provides himself with a Blanket & Like ly
to carry it off with him at the End of the Campain: the present
ample allowance of Provision will be continued & those who
inlist will be indulged with a reasonable Time to visit their
Families in the Course of the Winter this is to be regulated in
such a Manner as not to weaken the Army or injure the
Service —

&c.

To prevent such Contentions as have arisen from the same Person being inlisted by different Officers & for different Regiments it is positively ordered upon Paine of being Cashiered; that no Officer knowingly presume to inlist any Soldier who has been previously inlisted by any other Officer. where such Mistakes happen undesignedly; the first Inlistment to take place. the Officers are to be careful not to inlist any Person suspected of being unfriendly to the Liberties of America or any abandoned Vagabond to whom all Causes & Countries are alike indifferent; The Rights of Mankind. the Freedom of America; will have Number sufficient to supply them without applying to such Wretches for Assistance let those who wish to put Shackels upon Freemen fill their Blanks, & put their Confidence in such Mercenarys neither Negros, Boys unable to bear Arms nor old Men unfit to endure the Fatiegues of a Campain are to be inlisted; the Preferrence being given to the present army; The Officers are vigilantly to try what Number of Men can be inlisted in the Course of this Week and make a Report thereof to their Col; who will report it to the General; this to be done every Week untill the whole is compleated. The Regiments are to consist of 8 Companies, each Company to consist of 1 Capt. 2 Lieu.ts & an Ensn. 4 Sergents 4 Corpls 2 Drumers or Fifers & 76 Privates. as the Regiments are compleated they will be mustered & then received by the Commander in Chief when a Roll of each Company signed by the Capt. according to a Form previously delivered by the Adjutant General is

is to be delivered to his Excellency; The Col: of each Regiment will receive from his Brigadier General the List of the Officers upon the new Establishment The Commissioned non commissioned Officers & Soldiers of the present Army are notwithstanding their new Engagements to continue in Regiments & Companies they now belong to untill further orders

upon any Soldier being inlisted from the present into the new Establishment the Regiment he now belongs to with his Name Town & County are to be entered into a Roll kept for that purpose by each Officer a Coppy of this Roll Signed; to be sent every Saturday Morning to the Col: of each Regiment when the new Regiments are compleated the Colonels may upon Application receive Continental Commissions for themselves & their Officers

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 13.th 1775

General Orders: The Colonels upon the new Establishm.t to settle as soon as possible with the Quarter Master General the Uniforms of the respective Regiments: that the Buttons may be properly numbered & the work finished without delay

Head Quarters Cambridge Novem.r 14.th A D 1775.

General Orders. as great Complaints is made of wasting Ammunition it is thought expedient & hereby ordered that the Capt.s & Subalterns parade their Companies once a Day & carefully examine the Arms & Ammunition of the Soldiers and that a regular Account be given; the Capt.s & Subalterns of each Company are to take an Account of the Number of each Man's Catridges after which if any Damage by Rain or otherwise the Capt.s of each Company to report the same to the Commanding Officer of the Regiment to which they belong: & the Col: to the Maj.r General or Brigadier that such as are damaged

Damaged may be returned into the Store & new ones drawn
great Damage being done by Swine running at large in
this Division of the Army The Gen.l hereby Orders that
all such found in this Division after the 15th instant with
a Ring through the Nose shall be forfeited to such Persons as
shall complain thereof

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 14th 1775

Lieu.t Lyon of Col.o Johnson's Company in the 24th Regim.t
tried at a late General Court Martial whereof Col.o Paterson
was President for aiding & countenancing Mutiny in the
Camp there being no Proof of the Charge the Court unanim-
ously acquit the Prisoner; Lieu.t Draper & Ensign Parker
tried at a late General Court Martial whereof Col.o Dagley
was President for Striking & abusing Lieu.t Hawthaws &
Lieu.t Cragie & keeping Lieu.t Cragie in the Mutiny Hos-
yard all Night: the Court are of Opinion that the
Prisoners are guilty of a breach of the 46th Article of
the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army & there-
unanimously adjudge the Prisoner to be discharged from the
Continental Army Lieu.t Brewer tried at a late Gener.l
Court Martial for diverse Times leaving the Camp without
Leave & for countenancing the Soldiers in disobedience of
Orders the Court are unanimously of Opinion that the
Prisoner is guilty of Quiting the Camp without Leave
but acquit the Prisoner of the Latter part of the Charge
& therefore only adjudge the Prisoner to be mulcted four
Pounds of his Pay to be appropriated as directed by 4 & 51 Arti.s
of War & to be severely reprimanded by his Col.o at the Head of
the Regiment Serg.t John Pulney Corp.l Harwood Tho.s
Rellens. Isaac Larrabee Sam.l North & Ebenr Williams Soldiers

Soldiers of Capt. Nathan Campf in the late Col Genish Regim: tried at a late General Court martial Thereof Col Paterson was President for Meeting the Court are of Opinion that the Prisoner Serg.t Putney Corp.l Harwood Thos. Rellers Sam.l North & Ebenr. Williams are guilty of the Crimes laid to their Charge & adjudge the Prisoner Serg.t Putney to be reduced to the Ranks & fined Forty Shillings to be appropriated as in the 5th article of War the said Corp.l to be reduced to a Private & be whipped 39 Lashes the said Rellers 39 Lashes the said North 25 Lashes & the said Williams 39 Lashes upon their bare Backs with a Cat of nine Tails The Commander in Chief approves all the above Sentences of the Several Court Martial's mentioned in this Days Orders & directs the Execution of them accordingly

Head Quarters Cambridge Novr. 16th 1775 no Orders

Head Quarters Cambridge Novem.r 17th 1775

Regimental Orders a pay Roll of each Company in the 24th Regim.t to be made this Day for one Month & to be given in this Evening — The Officers of each Company to inspect the Mens Arms & Ammunition agreable to Gen.l Orders of 13th & make a Report thereof immediately

General Orders Representations Having been made to the Continental Congress of the great inequality of the Pay of Officers & Soldiers: the first being lower than usual & less than ever was given to Commissioned Officers in any other Service; whilst that of the Soldiers is higher the Congress have been pleased to increase the pay of Capt.s 2/6 & 2/3 of a Dollar of the 1st Lieu.t 18 Dollars 1/3 2d Lieu.t & Ensign.s 13 Dollars & 3/4 per Calender Months each to take place as soon as the new Regiments are compleated to the full Compliment of Men: The Congress have

given this Encouragement To y Capt.ns & Subalterns whose
Pay was lower in proportion with the Privates: to
improve upon their Minds a true Sense & Gratitude at
the same Time it is intended to enable them to support the
Character & Appearance of a Gentleman & Officer which
will add much to the Reputation of the Regim.t & can
not but be pleasing to every Man in it; it is expected
that the Officers of the new formed Regim.ts will exert
themselves in the Recruiting Service & that they do
not fail to report the number they have recruited
to morrow that they may make Returns thereof
the Day after in Order that the recruiting Parties
be sent into the Country: if any Backwardness appears
when this happens the Colonels of old Regiments are
to be consulted to prevent Companies therein being
left without Officers; as Furloughs have been
promised to y new Inlisted Men; none others can be
indulged on any Pretence whatsoever; & in Order that
those Furloughs may be given with some Degree of re-
putation; none but the Colonels or Commanding Officers
of Regiments of y new Establishment are to grant them
& they respectively not to let more than Fifty be absent
at a Time beginning with those who inlisted at first
& going on in regular Rotations untill all are indul-
dged allowing each Man Days to be at Home & as soon
Time to be at Home & to go & Return: The Colonels or
Commanding Officers of the new Established Regim.ts
are

are to meet at the Quarter Master General's at Cambridge tomorrow Morning at a 11 o'Clock to fix upon the uniform of their respective Regim.ts That the Making of Cloths may not be interrupted without all are present this can not be done; & the Work must not be delayed: Leiut.t Carey of Col: Prescott.s Regim.t tried at a late General Court Martial whereof Col: Paterson was President for Forgery & defrauding his Men of their Pay: The Court were unanimously of the Opinion that Leiut.t Carey was guilty of Defrauding some of the Men of their Blanket Money & of attempting to defraud others of their Coat Money & therefore adjudge the Prisoner to be Cashiered: The General approves & orders the Sentence to take Place immediatly

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 18.th 1775

General Orders: There was a Mistake in general Orders the Hon.ble Continental Congress have thought proper to allow the first & Second Lieutenants the same Pay (viz.) 18 Dollars a Month to each to the Ensign thirteen Dollars & one third: The Comissary General to order the Hams of the Bullocks that are killed for the Use of the Army to be saved & sent to the Quarter Master General who is to provide as many more as he can get & have the whole made into good Powder Hams for the Use of

the Troops: — The Honorable Legislature of the Colony having thought fit to appoint Thursday the 23: of Novem^r: instant as a Day of publick Thanks giving to offer up Praise & Prayer to allmighty God the Saurce & benevolent Bestower of all good that he would continue to graciously smile upon our Endeavours to restore Peace Preserve our Right & Liberties to the Latest Posterity: prosper the amarican Arms: Preserve & strengthen the Harmony of the united Colonies & divert y^e Calamities of a civil War: The General therefore Commands that Day to be observed with all the solemnity directed by that legislative Proclamation & all Officers & Soldiers & others are hereby directed with the most unfeigned Devotion to obey the same —

any non commissioned Officer or Soldier confined on account of leaving the Detachment commanded by Col: Arnold in Main or Quarter Guards of the Army are immediately to be dismissed —

Regimental Orders for the 3d: Regiment —

That any Person of said Regiment who shall for the future cut fell or destroy any Apple Tree Laugh or Fruit Tree of any kind: may depend on being dealt with therefor with the greatest Severity; for while there is Sufficient Wood but a small Distance off it shews great want of Consideration or Clemency Idleness & Inclination to make Destruction of Private Property —

Head Quarters Novem^{r} 19th AD 1775 —

General Order The Brigadier Generals to Make a Return of the Number of Teams to Supply their respective Divisions with Wood: the Teams appointed for each Division to be constantly imployed in the Service of that Division & not Shifted from one Division to another as great Confusion arises thereby: Some Regiments having a Double Stock of Wood while others are Suffering for Want: The Quarter Master General to provide Teams returned Necessary for the above Service & to direct the Wagon Master Gen^{l} to continue them in that Imployment — All Persons are Strictly prohibited purchasing any Clothing from the non commissioned Officers or Soldiers any Person violateing this Order to be sent to maingaurd by the Col^{o} or Commanding Officer of the Regim^{t}: The Cloths belong to; The Cloths to be forthwith delivered up & the Loss Sustained by the Purchaser —

Detail Sub: Serg: Corp^{l}: & 3 Private for Guard —

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov: 20th 1775 Gen^{l} Orders

The Col^{o} & Commanding Officers of Regiments upon the new Establishment are forthwith to send an Officer from each Company upon y^{e} Recruiting Service into the Country they are to take with them a Copy of the recruiting Instructions as contained in Gen^{l} Orders of the 12th instant & Comply strictly therewith: Care to be taken not to Leave

any Company under the aforesaid Establishment destitute of proper Officers — as the General is informed, that this is the Season in which y^e People in the New England Governments lay in Provision Stores &c. for the Use of their Families he has recommended in the strongest Manner he is capable the Necessity of sending Money to the Camp for the immediate Payment of y^e Troops for the Month of Octo^r & Novem^r in Order to enable those who have again inlisted & such others as are resolute to continue in Service; to do this more effectually he has also recommended them to the Congress for one Month's Pay advance Pay; & has no Doubt himself but that it will be complied with if Money can be forwarded in Time; no Soldier whenever dismist is to carry away any Arms with him that are good & fit for Service if the Arms are his own private property they will be appriz'd & he will receive the full Value thereof; proper Persons when necessary will be appointed to Inspect & Value the Arms so detained — Officers of the Day — Tomorrow Maj^r Poor: Adjutant Montague

Head Quarters Cambridge Novem^r 21^st 1775

General Orders The Court martial whereof Col Cleaveland was President is dissolved a General Court Martial to sit tomorrow Morning in General Sullivan's Brigade to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them; all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend the Court

M^r Samuel Cheney Surgeon of the 34^th Regim^t tried at a

General Court martial of which Col: Cleaveland was President for drawing more Hospital Stores than he had a Right to draw; & for Villifying y Character of Maj: General Lee & Putnam the Court were of Opinion the Prisoner is Guilty of Speaking Words tending to the Dishonour of the Character of Maj: Gen: Putnam & therefore adjudge him to be Cashiered. John Davison of Capt: Bancroft Company & Tho: Knolton of Capt: Swan Company in Col: Baridge Regim: tried at the above General Court Martial for quitting their Posts when on Duty y Court were of Opinion that the Prisoners were guilty of the Crime laid to their Charge & do adjudge them to be punished with 15 Lashes each but on account of their youth & Ignorance of their Duty the recommend y Prisoners to Mercy the General is pleased upon the Recommendation of the Court to Pardon y Prisoners but at y same Time desires that it may be noticed that such a Crime will not meet with a Like pardon hereafter

Head Quarters Cambridge Novem: 22: AD 1775.

The General has been informed more than once or twice an Idea prevails among the 1st Lieu: among the new Establishment: that if their Captains do not recruit a Company the Command will be taken away & given to such 1st Lieutenant provided he can fill it up; which makes the 1st Lieutenants indifferent & luke warm in the recruiting Business; whence such an Opinion should arise it is not easy to say but if it be possible that there are any

any Officer in this Army actuated by such Principles the General most positively assures them that they not only deserve themselves; but if Proof can be given of such a Charge such guilty Enemies to their Country will meet with Disgrace & be dismissed the Continental Army & Service forever; The General thought it his Duty to give them this publick Notice; whenever the commanding Officer of the Regiment the recruiting belongs to, that in order that he may be apprized thereof & know in what Manner to make a weekly Return; which is by no Means to be neglected: The Men of the Artillery Regiments are to be recruited in other Regiments. As fast as the Men move into Barracks the Colonels are to take especial Care that the Tents are immediately delivered into the Hands of the Quarter Master General who after the Hurry of Business is a little over is to have them washed repaired & laid by ——

It is expected the Captains will frequently visit the new Barracks & respectively see they are clean & decent & their Victuals properly cooked: Nothing contributes more to the Health of the Troops or can add more to the Reputation of the Officers than Men & Barracks kept Healthy Clean & well dressed: Those Officers who have been all Summer in the Service & recommended by the Hon.ble Council of this Province for Commissions may now Apply for them through their Colonels; it is expected those who have given in their Names to stay & are appointed to some of the new Regt.s

Regiments will not apply; as those Commissions
will be given out by Regiments as soon as the new
Establishment takes place; The General Approves
the Sentence of the General Court Martial held upon
Dact. Cheney & orders it to take place immediately

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 23 AD 1775

The Colonels or commanding Officers of each new Establish.
Regiment may draw to the Amount of two Months pay
for each Officer he sends into the Country agreable to the
Order of the 20th instant recruiting & furnishing them there
with; Abstracts to be made & given in accordingly; Men
recruited out of the old Regiments will continue in Pay
after the Term of their present Inlistment as usual & all
new Recruits (viz) Men that are not present in the
Service will enter into pay as soon as they inlist &
will be allowed Sixpence pr Day for Subsistance from
the Time they are recruited untill they march for the
Camp & one Penny pr mile from their usual Place of
Abode to their Regim.t for Subsistance & Expence; the Officers
are not to keep the Recruits in y.e Country a Moment
longer than they can help; but send them to their respective
Regiments as fast as 8 or 10 of them are inlisted; The Col.
Commanding Officers of Regiments may release the Officers
who are first sent into the Country upon the Recruiting Service
as they shall see occasion & are expressly to recall every
one who is negligent or unfaithfull in their Duty;
New Inlisted Men upon producing to their Col or Commanding

Officer of the Regiment they are inlisted into a Blanket fit for Use will be intitled to the 2 Dollars allowed by the Continent therefor. The Colonels or Commanding Officers of Regiments are to make out a List of the Names of such Men that the Money may be drawn for them. Each Colo: is to keep a Copy of such List to prevent Mistakes the List must Specify the Company each Man belongs to. The Maj: General with the Brigadier General of this Division are to appoint three Persons of Character & Judgment to Value the Arms of Discharged Soldiers certifying to whom they belong whether Public or Private Property & what they Consist of; they are to fix a reasonable and just Price upon them & to take none but such as are fit for Service; they are to enter into a Book such Valuation & deliver the Arms so valued to the Comissary of Artilery Stores, & take his Receipt for y[e] same.

A General Court Martial to sit to morrow in Col. Bridge's Regim[t] to try such Prisoners as shall be brought before them. The General Court Martial whereof Col. Poor was President is dissolved.

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov: 24th 1775.

Capt. Hubbel of Col. Webb's Regim[t] tried at a late General Court Martial for behaving in a Low Scandalous unofficer like Manner: The Court having acquited the Prisoner the General orders him to be released: Capt. Gr[illegible]

Capt. Gray of Col. Brewer's Regim.t tried at a late General Court Martial whereof Col. Enoch Poor was President for Dissuading the Soldiers from inlisting & therein acting a Part of a Tory & an Enemy to his Country: the Court thinking it proper to acquit the Prisoner: The General orders him to be released

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 25.th 1775

Regimental 3.d Connecticut

regimental Orders for the 34.th Regiment As it is of the greatest Consequence to the Troops that the Barracks be kept clean it is expected that the Officers who visit their Barracks will be very punctual in making the Men perform their Part of their Duty

Officer of the Day — Tomorrow Lieu.t Ephr.m Lyon

General Orders The Commissioned noncommission Officers & Soldiers lately arrived in Camp from Kennebeck River are to join their respective Corps: a Return of their Sergents by the Commanding Officers of their respective Regiments to be sent to y.e adjutant General on Monday Morning: at the Request of the Honorable the General Court of the Colony, the General directs that y.e Colonels or Commanding Officers of the Massachusetts Regiments do respectively Order each of their Captains to make out the Muster & pay Rolls of his Company up to the first Day of August last, from y.e Time of each Mans Inlistment this to be done agreable to the Form of a Return which is Lodged with & may be had of the Adjutant General

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The Court desires these Rolls may be confirmed upon oath & lodged as soon as possible with the original Certificats in the Secretary's Office of the Colony that all the Massachusetts Regim.ts may be paid up to the first Day of August aforesaid. for further particulars relative to this Resolution of the General Court the General refers to their Resolution of the 9th instant it being too long to insert in this Order

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov.r 26th A.D 1775

The Colonels or commanding Officers of Regiments upon the new Establishment to order the Men who are recruited to parade every Monday Morning at 10 O'Clock in the forenoon before the Brigadier General of their respective Brigade who shall reject such as are not fit for Service or do not come within the Descriptions of the Recruiting Orders. The Brigadier General will find a Certificat of the Recruits he approves off & deliver it to each of the Colonels that the Blanket Money due may be paid & no more

Head Quarters Nov.r 27th 1775 -- a Court of Enquiry to sit tomorrow Morning to Examine into the Conduct of Lieu.t Col. Enos who appears to have left Col. Arnold his Commanding Officer without Leave

Maj.r Gen.l Lee President Brigadier Green Heath Colonel Nixon & Stark Major Durkee & Sherman Members

Head Quarters Cambridge Nov. 28th 1775
Capt. Town in Col. Bridges Regiment tried at a late
General Court Martial whereof Col. Woodbridge was
President for behaving in an unofficer like Manner
for Suffering a Prisoner to escape, who was charged with
an Attempt to Steal. The Court were unanimously of
Opinion the Prisoner is guilty of behaving unbecoming
an Officer by declining to obey the Order of the D M Gen.
& not assisting to fetch a Soldier Cash Suspected of Theft
& for Suffering the Soldier to abuse Col. Mifflin & therefore
adjudge the Prisoner to be reprimanded by his Col. at the
Head of the Regim: before Col. Mifflin & also adjudge
he pay a fine of three pounds to be appropriated accord-
ing to the 51st of the Rules & Regulations of the Army
Jon. Wilkins a Soldier in the same Regim: in Capt. Town
Company tried at the same Court martial for attempting
to steal & for Insolent Language to the Quarter Master
General: The Court were of Opinion that the Prisoner
is guilty of abusive Language to the D M G. therefore
adjudge him to be fined 20 Shillings to be appropriated
according to the 51st Article of the Rules & Regulations of the
Army — Head Quarters Cambridge Nov. 29th 1775
An Express from Gen. Montgomery brought the joyfull
tidings of the Surrendery of Montreal to the Continental
Arms — The Gen. Hopes such frequent favours from divine
Providence will animate every American to continue to exert the
utmost in Defence of the Liberties of his Country &c. It is

the Basest Ingratitude to the Almighty & to their Country to shew any backwardness in the publick Cause

Camp 30th of Novem: 1775 Regimental Order The Reveille to beat for the future as soon as Day Light every Morning

Lieu: Tilden of the 24th Connecticut Regim: is appointed Adjut: & is to be obeyed as such By Order of Col: Durkee

General Order: A general Court Martial to set to morrow Morning at 10 O Clock at Mr. Pomeroy's in Cambridge to try Lieu: Col: Enos for quitting his Commanding Officer without Leave. President Brigad: Gen: Sullivan with the Twelve Field Officers next for Court Martial Duty: Nathaniel Patten of Capt: Davis' Company in Col: Prescott's Regiment tried at a General Court Martial for attempting to pass the Lower Guard & making Disturbance at Cobble Hill contrary to Order The Court acquit the Prisoner who is to be immediately released

Regimental Order Decem: 4th 1775. as there is some Complaints from the Soldiers that the Orders are not made known to them properly it is therefore Ordered that the Rolls of each Company be called Morning & Evening & the Orders both General & Regimental made known to them & Officer of each Company to attend & see that those Orders be obeyed in the strictest Manner By Order of Col: Durkee

It is General Putnam's Order that all the Tents in the Camp on Prospect Hill be immediately struck & that the best Care & the utmost

of them that they may be returned when ordered,
all the Men to go into the Barracks

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem.r 1.st 1775

The fatal Consequences which have at all times
& upon all occasions befallen an attack at unawares
when Men are scattered & remote from their Posts or
negligent while at them are too well known & very often
too unhappily felt to stand in Need of Description. Three
an handful of Men prepared for an attack are seldom
defeated: it is therefore ordered in the most express &
peremtory Manner that no noncommissioned Officer
or Soldier do presume under any Pretence whatever Day
or Night to be out of Drum Call of his Alarm Post
without Leave of his Capt.n or Commanding Officer of the
Company he belongs to — & it is also as expressly ordered
that no noncommissioned Officer or Soldier pass from
Cambridge & the Lines on this Side the River to Roxbury or
from thence hither or from either to any other Place in
the Neighbourhood without a written Pass from the Capt.n
or Commanding Officer he belongs to although he should
not mean to stay more than an Hour or two. The Officers
in each Regiment are to be Subject to the same Restraints
& obtain Leave in the same Manner of the Col.o or Commanding
Officer of the Regiment they belong to; and it is expected
that all Officers & Soldiers in the Army will pay strict Attention to this order as they will answer the Consequence.
This Order is not to change the Mode of giving Furloughs

already pointed out in late Orders the sole Design is to keep Men to their Duty, that they may be always ready to meet their Enemy upon the shortest Notice It is again & again expressly ordered that an Officer of each Company once a Day examine the Arms and Ammunition of the Company he belongs to & see that they are fit for Use this & the foregoing Orders are to be frequently read to the Men & the Usefulness of them strongly inculcated upon their Minds they are to be considered as standing Orders till they are countermanded The Colonels or Commanding Officers of the new established Regiments are to take special Care that y^e new Recruits be put under proper drill Sergents as fast as they join in order that they may as quick as possible be made acquainted with their Duty it is also recommended to those Gentlemen to provide their Regiments with good Drumers & Fifers, Details Sub: Corp^l: 7 Private for Guard: for Fatigue 7 Private

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem^r 2: 1775 General Order; James M^cCammish of Capt^n Dobbel Company of Col: Paterson^s Regim^t tried at a late General Court Martial for striking Gen^l Putnam^s Horse & saying at the same Time damn you, who is there, clear the Road & repeatedly leaving the Camp without Orders the Court is of Opinion that the Prisoner is guilty of y^e Breach of the 3^d 15^th 16^th & 17^th Articles of War & adjudge him to

receive

receive 39 Lashes on his bare Back. Serg.t James King
of Col.o Paterson's Regim.t tried at y.e same General Court
Martial upon an Appeal from the Regimental Court
Martial: The Court are of Opinion the Prisoner is
guilty of being absent from his Regim.t without Leave
& of Striking Sergent Goodrich when in the Execution
of his Duty & therefore adjudge the Prisoner be reduced
to the Rank & pay a Fine of Twenty Shillings to be
appropriated according to the 5.th Article of the Rules
& Regulations of the Army — Paral: Congress Coll.o Union
Head Quarters Cambridge Decem.r the 8.th 1775
It is with Surprize & Astonishment the General learns
that notwithstanding y.e Information that was communicated
to the Connecticut Troops of a Relief being ordered to supply
their Places by the 10.th of this Month, they many of them have
their Arms with them gone off not only without Leave but
contrary to express Orders: This is therefore to Inform
those that remain that the General has sent an Express
to the Governor of Connecticut with the Names of such
men as have left the Camp in order that they may be
dealt with in a Manner suitable to their Behaviour —
The General also informs them that remain that it is
necessary for them to obtain a written Discharge from the
Commanding officer of the Regiment they belong to when
they are dismissed on y.e 10.th instant that they may be distinguished
from & not treated as Deserters: Colonel & Commanding
officer of y.e Connecticut Regim.ts are to give in the Names of all
those in their respective Regim.ts for y.e Purpose above mentioned —

Decem.r 4th 1775 Regimental Orders

A Muster Roll of each Company to be given in immediately of the Names of those who are now here omitting those on Furlough discharged & deserted as there are Men appointed to apprize the Arms of the 34th Regim.t two Companies are to be released for Duty tomorrow & have their arms clean the other Company will take it in their Turns when ordered Col Durkee & Capt Waterman & the apprizers to meet at

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem.r 4th 1775

Lieu.t Col. Enos this day at a late General Court martial whereof Brigadier Gen.l Sullivan was President for Leaving his commanding Officer without Permission or Order & returning to Cambridge The Court after mature Consideration of the Evidence are unanimously of Opinion the Prisoner was by absolute Necessity obliged to Return with his Division & do therefore acquit him with Honour

The Gen.l Orders Lieu.t Col Enos to be forthwith released from his Arrest, officers &c

Head Quarters Decem.r 7th 1775. The Connecticut Regim.ts are to be under Arms upon their Regimental Parades on Saturday at eleven in the forenoon in Order to be reviewed they are to have their Arms in good Order: the Rolls to be called over & no Man Absent every one that is able must appear; for this Purpose they are to be exempt from all other Duty on that Day; the Lt Gen.l is strictly enjoined to pay proper attention to the Order of the 23d of Decem.r respecting the Quarters

Officers & Sentries is to prevent Boards & other Materials being applyed to the Building any House without his Order & none such will be allowed of by the Public; all Officers are to pay due Attention to this Order; Officer of the Day Lieut. Col. Durkee Adjt. of the Day Gibbs

Decem.r 9th 1775 Regimental Orders

The Officers of the several Companies to take Care that no Man furloughed this Day carry off any Arms that are Appriz'd; & no Soldier of the 24th Regiment is to stand out of Ranks without a Commissioned Officer & the Officer that no Ammunition be carried off the Guns that are not appriz'd may be sent Home the Men who apply for Discharges this afternoon will come regularly & the Col. will discharge them as fast as possible: these Orders must be strictly complied with: The Adjt. will appoint an Officer & four Men to March to the Bridge this Day to examine their Packs & nothing be found but their own Property they may pass.

Head Quarters Decem.r 9th 1775

Serg.t Lane of Col. Whitcomb's Regim.t with Nineteen other Men of different Regiments whose Names Corps & Companies are to be delivered to Brigade Maj.r Carey are immediately to be drafted and sent to the Quarter Master General to be under his Orders

The Court Martial whereof Col. Woodbridge was President is dissolved

Head Quarters Decem.r 10th 1775

The General with great Pleasure thanks Col.o Read & his Officers of the 27th Regiment who from particular circumstances for Want of Vacancies have no Appointments in the new established Army for their polite Address to him; & considers the Assurance which they have given of their Determination to continue in the Service of their Country required until the new Army is completed in every favourable Light especially as it is accompanied with further Assurances of the Men in the 27th Regim.t are consenting thereto. Such Conduct at this important Crisis can not fail of giving Pleasure to every well Wisher to his Country & next to engaging another Year is the highest Proof they can give of their Attachment to the Noble Cause of Liberty at the same Time that it reflects Honour upon themselves it may under Providence give Posterity Reason to look upon them as happy Instruments of their Delivery from the Chains which are actually forging for them. — The Captains of the several Militia Companies from the Massachusetts Bay & New Hampshire Governments are to make exact Roll of their Companies & return them signed without Delay to the Adjutant General.

Head Quarters Decem.r 11th 1775.

The Majors of Brigade to be more exact in obliging the Adjutants to deliver them every Saturday at a certain Time

an exact Return Signed by the Commanding Officer
of the New Establish'd Regiments of the No. of Men
Inlisted in each of those regiments: The Majors of
Brigade will be answerable for the future for the
strict Obedience of this Order; The Regiments to
be dressed in uniform ——— To reward & encourage
Military Merit the Congress thought proper to advance
the Pay of the Captains & Subalterns of the Continental
Army & as uniform & Decency in Dress are Essentially Necessary
to the Appearance & Regularity of an Army his Excellency
recommends it earnestly to the Officers to put themselves
in a proper Uniform Dress: The Field Officers of each
of the new Corps will set the Example by Cloathing
themselves as a Regimental of their respective Corps —
& it is not doubted but the Capt.s & Sub.s will immediately
follow the Example — The General by no Means recommends or desires Officers to run into Costly expensive Regimentals
no Matter how plain or Coarse so that they are but
Uniform in the Colour; Cut & Fashion the Officers
belonging to those Regiments whose Uniform is not yet
fixed; had better delay making their Regimentals untill
they are ——— Head Quarters Decem.r 12: 1775 Knox
The Honorable Continental Congress having been pleased
to appoint Henry Knox Esq.r Col.o of the Regiment of
Artilery upon the New Establishment he is to be obeyed as
such: The Colo.s Commanding Officers of the three Connecticut Regiments upon the new Establishment to deliver to the
Adjutant General Tomorrow Morning at Orderly Time an

exact List of the Commissioned Officers of their respective Regiments or Corps: together with a Return of the Men they have each of them Enlisted for the above Regiments; as an express is immediately to set out for Governor Trumbull who demanded the same to lay before the Assembly of the Colony.

Head Quarters Decem.r 13.th 1775.

The Major Generals are to order the Militia Companies to be joined to the different Brigades & Regiments in their respective Divisions in such a Manner as to supply the Deficiency of the Connecticut Troops & to prevent Disorder & Confusion in case we should be called to Action & Make a Report thereof as soon as it is done as these Companies have inclinations to join particular Regiments the General has no Objection to it in every Instance when it can be done consistant with the Good of the Service & the Allotment of different Encampments. The Adjutant of every Regim.t to which any of these Companies are joined are to acquaint them with all General & Brigade Orders that they may not unknowingly disobey them.

The Col.o of the several Regiments upon the new Establishment may respectively apply to the Commissary of the Ordinance for Twenty Five Stands of Arms lately taken from the Store Ship from London: these Arms the Colonels will be carefull to put into the Hands of the Soldiers most approved for their Care & Bravery. N

such only as are Inlisted for the next Campain an exact List of their Names is to be returned to their respective Colonels — The Carbines taken in said Ships are not to be delivered without Speial Order

Decem.r 14.th Regimental Orders —

The Recruiting Officers of the 20.th Regiment to make out a Roll of all the Men they have Inlisted that are present & give them to the Adj.t that they may be put into one Barrack under the Charge of Capt.n Waterman, that y Roll may be called & have the Orders read to them daily this order must be complied with directly all others that join a Report to be made to the Commanding Office

Head Quarters Decem.r 14.th AD 1775

The Quater Masters of all the Regiments are as soon as possible to deliver to the Deputy Commissary General Mr. Elisha Avery all the Cyder Barrells Butter Firkins & Candle Boxes in their Possession of their respective Corps as these Articles are very much wanted for the publick Service. Off.r of the Day to morrow Maj.r Lee

Adjutant Tilden

Head Quarters Decem.r 15.th AD 1775 —

When Fresh Recruits from the Country join the new established Regiments the Col.o or Commanding Officers of those Regiments are to discharge the like Number of old Soldiers who have not engaged in the next Campain taking Care to part with the most Indifferent first

a Genl Court Martial to set tomorrow Morning in Cambridge at 10 o Clock forenoon to try such Persons as shall be brought before them all Evidences & Persons concerned are to attend the Court Officer of the Day tomorrow Col. Brown Adjt. Foxe

Regimental Orders Decem.r 18th 1775

Ens.n Jonathan Woodworth of the 20th Regiment is appointed to Act as Quater Master to said Regiment & is to be obeyed as such till further Orders —

The Officers of the 20th Regim.t now present are immediately to march all the Recruits that are off Duty to Genl Putnams Head Quaters where he will muster them a list of their Names must be taken with them that the General may know who he sends out & whom

Head Quarters Decem.r 18th 1775

The Colonels & Commanding Officers of Corps are to deliver to the Adjutant General next Saturday their Pay Abstracts for the Months of Octo. & Novem.r & Decem.r & also an Abstract for the Month of January next for each of the new Established Corps

The Continental Congress having been pleased to Order all those who have bravely reinlisted to serve their Country another year shall be rewarded with one Months Pay Advance — Officer of the Day tomorrow Col. Sergeant Adjt. Fardich

Head Quarters Decem^r 19^th 1776

In Consequence of a Complaint exhibited by the Colonel Commanding Officer of Corps in the Brigade at Winter Hill on the 20^th of Oct^r last against Commissary General Trumbull. His Excellency is pleased to order a Court of Enquiry to set to morrow at Eleven in the forenoon to examine into the Cause thereof — Major General Putnam with the Brigadiers Sullivan. Green & Heath to Compose the Court of Enquiry all Evidences & Persons concerned to attend said Court the Court will set at General Putnam's House the Judge Advocate to attend —

Head Quarters Decem^r 24^th 1776

By order of his Excellency General Washington a Board of General Officers set Yesterday in Cambridge & unanimously recommended the following Rations to be delivered in the Manner hereby directed viz^t Corned Beef & Pork 4 Days in a Week Salt Fish one Day fresh Beef 2 Days — as Milk cannot be had during the Winter Season the Men are to have 1 lb^s of Beef or 18 Ounces of Pork p^r Day: 1 half Pint of Rice or a Pint of Indian Meal p^r Week one Q^t of Spruce Beer per Day or Nine Gallons of Molasses to 100 Men per Week 3 lb^s of Candles to 100 Men per Week to Guard 6 Ounces of Butter or 9 Ounces of hogs Lard

Man pr Week & pints of Beans or Peas pr Man pr Week or Vegitables equivalent allowing 6/ pr Bush for Beans or Peas 2/8 pr Bushel for Onions 1/4 pr Bushel for Potatoes & Turnips. One pound of Flower pr Man each Day; Hard bread to be dealt out one Day in a Week in lieu of Flower — The above Allowance is Ordered to be Issued by the Commissary General to all the Troops of the United Colonies Serving in this Department untill the Honorable Continental Congress or the Commander in Chief thinks proper to alter it

Capt Hintwarth Stuart of Col. Phinney's Regim.t tried at a General Court Martial whereof Col. Brickett was President for Disobedience of Orders and grossly abusing Lieu.t Col.o March of the said Regiment the Court are Unanimously of Opinion that Capt Stuart is guilty of repeated Abuse to Lieu.t Col.o March & therefore adjudge that he ask Pardon of Col.o March before the Officers of the Regiment & at the same Time Receive a severe Reprimand from Col.o Phinney. John Wales of Capt Williams Company & Col.o Greaton's Regim.t tried at the above Court Martial for Robbing the L.t Master's Store: the Court find the Prisoner guilty of a Breach of the 49th Article for regulating the Massachusetts Army: and therefor adjudge him to receive Ten Lashes upon the bare back with a Cats of Nine Tails. The General approves the above Sentence & orders them to be executed the first fair Day. —

Officer of the Day tomorrow Maj.r Brooks Adj.t Montague

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem.r 25.th 1776

As divers Complaints has been made that Some of the Provisions Issued by the Commissary are tainted unwholsome & Consequently detrimental to the Health of the Soldiery: to prevent the ill Effects in future Lieu.t Col.o Hoit & Maj.r Woods & Maj.r Knolton are appointed a Committee of Survey, whose Duty it shall be at all Times upon Complaint being made by the Quarter Master of any Regiment in the Center Division of the Army that bad or unwholsom Provisions are Issued to them to repair as soon as may be to the Commissary Store & carefully Survey such Provisions & if upon Survey such Provisions shall appear unfit for the Nutriment of the humane Body they are to put a Mark thereon & Condemn the same: a Report thereof to be made from Time to Time by the Committee to the General of the Brigade to which such Qu.r M.r belongs

Head Quaters Decem.r 26.th A.D 1776

Parole Baltimore Countersign Lee — General Orders

A Court of Enquiry Consisting of the Major General Putnam & Brigadiers Generals Heath Sullivan & Greene Members held by orders of his Excellency the General to examine into the Cause of the Complaint exhibited by a Number of Field Officers in General Sullivan's Brigade against Commissary General Joseph Trumbull Esq.r The Articles of Complaint were 1.st for not delivering out the cash Allowance of Rum or the Value thereof in Money to the Officers & Men & 2.dly for taking in Arrears

at 2/6 and delivering them out at 4/ per Barrel & pay Tarbay is Potatoes at 1/4 & dealing them out at 2/. The Court on mature Consideration beg Leave to Report to his Excellency that the 1st Article of the Charge is groundless, that the 2d & 3d Articles are Confessed by the Commissary General & tho' the Court are fully Satisfied there was not the least Design of fraud in Mr Trumbull they are unanimously of Opinion that the Measure was pernicious & injudicious The General Approves of the above proceedings of the above Court of Inquiry — A Court of Enquiry shall at Roxbury Examine into the Conduct of Major Parke Deputy Quarter Master General in case of Col. Jedediah Huntington was Deficient for Carefully Quartering Troops within the House of Major Thompson The Court are of Opinion that Major Parke Conducted himself in Obedience to his Orders & as the necessity of the Case required — The Tryal of Capt Glover Comp & Col. Glover's Regiment tried at a late General Court Martial for Desertion is found guilty & ordered to pay 20/. L.M. to be appropriated according to the Rules & Regulations of the Massachusetts Army The General Approves the Proceedings of the Court of Enquiry held on Major Parke & of the Sentence of the General Court Martial above mentioned & orders it to take Place accordingly Orders for the Day Tomorrow Lieu. Col. Crawford Capt of the Day Tomorrow Heardy

General Putnam to Washington

Head Quarters Cambridge Decem.r 27.th 1775

The Regimental Quarter Masters are forthwith to settle with the Commissary General or his Deputies the Day they next draw they are to take the whole of the Provisions & weekly Allowance then due

The Col.s who have purchased Clothing at the Gen.l Store for the Use of Officers & Soldiers; are directed to discharge their respective Debts out of the Monies they are about to receive in behalf of their respective Corps; The Col.s of the new established Regiments are to order their recruiting Officers to send the Recruits they have raised to their respective Regiments at Roxbury & Cambridge by the 1.st Day of January next

Officer of y.e Day tomorrow Maj.r Austin

Adj.t of y.e Day tomorrow Montagues

Head Quarters Decem.r 28.th 1776

Parole Jamaica Countersign Dove

as the Time is just at Hand, when the Massachusett New Hampshire & Rhode Island Troops not again enlisted will be released from their present Engagem.t the General Recommends to them to Consider what may be the Consequence of their abrupt Departure from the Lines; Should any Accident happen to them before the New Army gets greater Strength they not only Justly incurr eternal Disgrace upon themselves as Soldiers but incurr Guilt perhaps upon their Country & Families It is from no dislike to the Officers that the General Requests them to stay without them; but in the first Place because it is

unnecessary to Furnish the Regiments with a greater Number of Officers than are requisite to the Men, and in the next Place because it retards the forming & the proper Government of the new Regiments —

those noncommissioned Officers & Soldiers therefore who have their Country's Welfare so much at Heart as to be Stay till the last Day of January if necessary may join any Company in any of the New Established Regts they please provided they do not increase the Number of Rank & File in such Company to more than 76 Men more than which no Company is to be. all the Officers & Soldiers at present of those Regiments inlisted in Col.o Learned's Parsons's Joseph Read's Huntington's Ward's Wyllys's & Bailey's are to join them tomorrow at which Time any Officer or Soldiers in either of those Regim.ts under the new Establishment, who belong to Col.o Prescott's Glover's Phinney's Patterson's Sergeant's Arnold's Greaton's & Balding's Regiments are to join on Saturday next when any Officer or Soldier in either of those Regiments belonging to other Regiments are also to remove to them on Saturday next The same Charge is to take Place with respect to Col.o Jam.s Read's Nixon's Starke's Whitcomb's Poor's Farnham's Little's Hitchcock's Webb's Bond's & Hutchinson's Regiments: It is recommended to Receive and march the Men from the Reg.ts they are Inlisted out of to them they are to join — Ma

that it may be effected with more Regularity & Ease and the Change made with as little Confusion as possible it is expected of such Men as are determined not to continue in the Service another Campain that they will sell their Blankets to those who do; and are in want of them; the same is also recommended to the Militia

In apprizing the Arms the General expect that they be numbered & marked in such a Manner as the owners of them & the Price may at any Time be ascertained upon the Delivery of them by the Commissary, for the use of the Publick & must be delivered into the Care of the Commissary of the Ordinance Store, but may be withdrawn immediately if the Colonels will pass his Receipt for them & account for the Delivery to his Men

Officer of the Day tomorrow Col. Woodbridge
Adjt: Dalliver

Head Quarters Cambridge Dec: 29th 1775

The Commissary General having estimated the Value of the different Species of Provision which Constitute a Ration under the Continental Allowance & finding it to amount to Seven pence half penny L.M. the General having seen the said Estimate approves of it & orders that they be settled with accordingly

The General was in great Hopes, that a sufficient Sum of Money would have been sent from Philadelphia

to have paid the Troops for the Months of Octr. Novemr. & Decemr. but is sorry to inform them that there is no more yet arrived than will allow one Month's Pay advance to the new Army & Blanket Money furnishing at the same time the Commissary & Quater Master General with such Sums as are necessary for Conducting their Business — The General has already wrote Express to Congress for more Money, & hopes speedily to be furnished with a Sufficient Sum to pay them in full; particular Care is to be taken by the Colonels & commanding Officers of Corps; not to suffer any Amunition to be carried off by the Discharged Men; but that the same be collected & delivered to the new Recruits if necessary; if not to the Commissary of Stores — Officer of the Day to morrow Col. Sergeant. Adjt. Gibbs —

Head Quarters Cambridge Decemr. 30th 1775 —

as the Want of a timely Supply of Cash has prevented the discharged men from receiving more than one Month's Pay; at that Time the Quarter Master General may withhold his Amounts untill the next Payment when his Charges against the Several Regiments must be paid: The Commissary General is to issue Provisions or the Value thereof to the discharged Men to carry them

them Home allowing one Ration for every 20 Miles
they march; as the General is informed that a Number
of free Negroes are desirous of inlisting he gives Leave
to the Recruiting Officers to entertain them & promises
to lay the Matter before the Congress; who he Doubts
not will approve of it. The Massachusetts Rhode
Island & New Hampshire Regiments upon the old Establish-
ment to parade tomorrow Morning at 10 o'Clock
upon their respective Regimental Parades; when they
will hear & receive the Commander in Chief's Directions
much of the non Commissioned Officers & Soldiers who
presume to carry off their Arms contrary to express
Orders of the General & the most pressing demands of
their Country; may depend upon it they will be mulcted with
the Pay & Rations Money now due to them.

Officer of the Day tomorrow Col° Glover Adj°: Montague

Thomas Knowlton Captain 5th Company
3d Regiment
(see Underhill)
prior to April 23d 1775.

Major by Dec 25th 1775.
see daily book

Colonel in Spring of 1776.
Probable when the Rangers
were formed.

John Durkee Major of 3d Regiment
prior to April 23d 1775

Commissioned Colonel
August 10. 1776.
(see order book for 1777)

At battle of
Monmouth.
See Court Martial
of General Lee

Called Col: Nott
30th 1775.
see order book

Regiment arranged

Col Durkee died in Camp (Wilkes)
May 30th 1782

See Letter book
Connecticut Hist June 10 1782

Thomas Grosvenor 2d Lieut prior to
April 23. 1775.

Capt. in Spring of 1776.
probably in Knowlton's Rangers

*Major February 6th 1777
in Wyllys' Regt vice
Major Bigelow resigned

*See Hinman's Connecticut Revolution page 408

Lieut Col March 13th 1778
per General order Book

Deputy Inspector July 11th 1779

Inspector January 1. 1781

Lieut Col Commandant of the
1st Connt Regt July 1st 1782
vice Heath Col. Colonel
John Durkee.

3d Conn. Regt called 3d Regt of Continental
army Jan Aug 3d - Sept 27. 1775.
Commission vacated Sept 15th 1775

Officers of the 3d Regt
rais'd by Connecticut, — as they were
April 23d 1775, in the war of the Revolution
taken from Penman

Israel Putnam Col & Capt of 1st Comp
Experience Storrs Lieut Colonel
& Capt of 2d Compy
John Durkee First Major
Obadiah Johnson 2d Major
Rev'd Abel Leonard Chaplain
John Spalding Surgeon
Perrin Chaney } Surgeons
Elijah Adams } Mates

Officers of the 1st Company

Jonathan Kinsley 1st Lieut Commanding Co
Thomas Groves 2d Lieut
Elijah Loomis Ensign

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the Revolution
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Officers of 2d Company
3d Regiment

James Dana First Lieutenant
& Commanding Co

Ebenezer Gay Second Lieut

James Fairfield Ensign

Officers of 3d Co 3d Regt

Joshua Hawthorne 1st Lieut & Commanding Comp

Jacob Delbat 2d Lieut

Samuel Boynton Ensign

Officers of 4th Company 3d Regt

Ephraim Lyon 1st Lieut

Wells Cliff 2d Lieut

Israel Hyde Jun Ensign

Officers of 5th Company 3d Regt

Thomas Knowlton Captain

Daniel Tilden 1st Lieut

Andrew Fitch 2d Lieut

Thomas Bell Ensign

Dec 25th 1775
Major Knowlton

Col Durkee Nov 30
Serg Wrasbrook 1775 1775
Dec 7. 1775
Lieut Col Dec 12 1775

Jas McCormick Starkis Regt Pittsburg Dec 9. 1775

Lieut Grenadier Oct 5 1775 in Regiment Continental

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